71 3 E+

505
11352
Navy

African Squadron

Flag Officer

William Inman

October 1st 1860.

to

28th September 1861.

Vol. III.

Index

Page

Abbott J. Sel. to Transfer 58
" Lieut. Stewart 372
" Lt. J. Stewart 396, 425
Adkins J. Sel. Discharge 353
Armstrong Sellable 139
Armstrong J. Sellable 40, 41
" 104, 200, 381, 382, 384, 439
Ayers — Sel. to Transfer 225
Bailey J. Sel. Corporal 100
" Sel. Pvt. Sentry 313
" Order 345, 351
Baker R. Sel. Sentry 178
Barrington Sel. Pvt. Sentry 89
Bartlett W. Sel. Miller, Fire 86
Beals A. Sel. to Transfer 380
Beardsley A.W. Reported for duty 131
" Sel. to Sentry 166
" Orders for 219
" Sel. to Transfer 258
" Sel. Detachment 375
Benjamin D. Sel. to Transfer 61
" " " 72
Bickford W. Sel. Arrest of 159
" Sel. Returning duty 369
Bigelow Sel. to Transfer 80
Bird W.H. Sel. Sentry 354
Blake — " " 80
Bliss " Sel. Pvt. Sentry 22
Boone J.C. Sel. Detail 22
Boone J. Sellable 80
" " " 133
" Remarks 107
Brownfield F. Sel. Sentry 165
" " " 251
Burke — " " 225, 168
Burt W.H. " " 80 139, 140
" Order to Report 169
Callahan Jos. Sel. to Transfer 354
Carman — " " 108, 225
Carpenter J.M. Orders for 215, 216, 232
Calhoun J.B. Sel. Sentry 204
Cobb Jos. Sel. Detail Guard 407
Cook J.J. Sel. Pvt. Sentry 74
Cook J.C. Sel. to Transfer 30, 65
Cooke J.W.C. Sel. to Transfer 213, 214
Cotton J. Orders for 32, 27, 40, 213
" " 342, 346, 350, 411
" Sel. Charge of post 163

Page

Sellers J. Del. C. St. Ore 454
Sayer " Del. Transfer 199, 225
"Sea Nymph" Del. Capture of 1, 4, 5
Shannon H.M.S. Del. Transfer 131
" " Del. Abstract of 183
Shubrick W.H. Del. " Receipt 0, 09
Simmons J.O. Del. " 59
" " " 60, 72
Smith H.C. Del. " 396, 431
Stevens H.B. Orders for 301, 371, 426
Stevens Del. Transfer 171
" " 182
Stewart Del. Letter to H.C. 356
Stockton T.W. Del. Transfer 320, 321
" Orders for 34, 39, 94, 44
" " 37, 170, 180, 377, 379
Storer H.W. Orders for 67, 71, 76
Sturr H. Del. to Transfer 354
Symmington W. Del. to 80
Sisbrin J.C. Del. Abstract of 1
" Orders for 56
Sykes— Del. Transfer of 168, 225
Syn— " " 168
Szymanski " " 93, 117

"Express" Del. Capture of 145
"Falmouth" Del. Capture of 314
Farlin D.W.H. Del. Transfer of 224
" Del. Transfer of 258, 422, 423
Flanagan J. " " 30, 68
Fitzpatrick W.H. Orders for 131
" Orders for 221
" Del. to Transfer 330
" Del. Abstract of 341
Fraser J. Declaration of 16
Fuck J. Del. to Transfer of 67
Fuller C. Del. Part. Receipt 74
Foster J.C. Del. Declaration of 92
Frederick M. Del. Capture of 3
Fyfe W. Del. to Transfer 344
Graham M. " " 145
George J. Del. Receipt of 275
Gibson C. Del. to Transfer 146
Gentry W.H. Declaration of 376
" Orders for 401, 455
Gordon C.W. Orders for 46, 96, 132
" " 181, 386, 430
" Take Command 45
" Declaration of 135, 136

Gardiner Sec. Sel. to transfer 380
Gwynne J. Sel. Mil. matters 69
Greer J.A. Sel. to transfer 258
" Sel. Retirement 383
Hall W.B. Sel. Retach. of 1
" " Orders for 58
Hamilton J.H. " 57, 357
Hardisty Sec. Sel. to transfer 354
Harrison W.D. Relative to 38, 52
" " Sel. to transfer 345, 443
Hazlitt " " 225
Hays C.W. Sel. promotion 230
Heneker Capt. Appts. as Engineer 308
Herty J.W. Orders for 36, 71
Higginson H. Relative to 80
Hinman Capt. Sel. movements of 20
" Sel. Resp. of gen. Orders 23
" Deficiency Crew of Flag Ships 64
" Sel. movements of Flag Ships 77
" Gen. Orders 78, 81, 89
" " " 122, 164
" Adt. Dept. despatches 79, 130
" " " 146, 239

Page

" Sel. Relief of King Sura 86
" Sel. Receipts of Stores 87
" Sel. Surgeon for "Illinois" 88
" Order Sel. Chief Engineers 120, 121
" Appointments Relative 123
" Gen. Instructions of Squad. 141, 254
" " " 153, 157, 250
" Sel. employ. of Officers 142, 277
" Sel. capture of Stores 146
" Resp. of Medical Officer 147
" " " 252
" Duplicates in case of Casualty 156
" Retirement of Officers on Surg. 207
" Orders for "Saratoga" 216
" Sel. Stores &c. for Squad. 240, 241
" Sel. U.S. Vessels at Annapolis 242
" Sel. Co-op. of Watch Officers 265
" Sel. U.S. Vessels at Cowes 267
" Sel. complaint against 281
" Gen. Orders issued 410, 251
" Sel. change of Air for Crew 295
" Sel. money from Victu. Ship 297
" Sel. Return of Squad to U.S. 402
" U.S. Vessels at St Helena 407

" Sol. Exc. for U. Officer 444
" Sol. in U.S. service for time 455
" Sol. Effects of Surrogate 456
Jeffreys W.H. Sol. Artch, Transfer 396
" " " 430
Johnson O.K. Sol. Comptroll. 281, 292
Jones J. Sol. Med. Surg. 152
" Sol. Exchange for 171
" Sol. Travel time for Rel. 173
" " " 188
" Sol. Transfer 189
Kane J.H. Relative Co 80
" Sol. Co Transfer 131, 140
" " " 203
Kennison W. Sol. charge against 418
" Sol. case of 448
Kendle - Sol. Transfer 168, 225
Kellogg W. Relative Co 96
Kimball J.B. Sol. C. M. on 154
Kimball O.D. " " 21
" Sol. Transfer Pc 31, 75
Kirchberger D. Sol. orders for 29
Kipp Jas. Sol. capture of 67
Lamarie L. Sol. Transfer 348

Latham J. Taken prisoner 87
Lay N. Sol. Transfer 354
Le Roy Wm S. Orders for 50, 51, 53, 106
" " 207, 212, 382, 441
Letford N. Sol. Med. Surg 174
" Sol. Transfer 229, 337, 373
" " " 93, 117
Lewis J. " " 433
Lindsay J.B. Sol. Med. Surg 396
" Sol. Transfer 380
Lopez C. " 281, 297
Lovell B.F. Sol. comptroll- Orders for 55
" Sol. Letter for 385
Lynslager Wm. Sol. Transfer 225
Mann - Sol. Transfer 174
Martin J. Sol. M. Surg 222
" Sol. Transfer 337, 373
" " " 174
Matthews N.P. Sol. M. Surg 229, 337, 373
" Sol. Transfer 313, 349
Maxwell C. Sol. M. Surg 168, 225
McClure - Sol. Transfer 80
McCook A. Relative Co 225
Mell - Sol. Co Transfer 35, 71
Messersmith J.C. Orders for 376
" Sol. Co Transfer 419
" Sol. Detachment of 80
Miller - Sol. Co Transfer 131
Miller C.W. Sol. warrant for 394
Miller C.A. Sol. Med. Surg

Pages

"Alliance" Rel. orders of 96, 124
" Rel. paymaster for 136
" " " 308
Ames S. Rel. exp. of 3, 67
Audibey - Rel. transfer 168, 225
Murphy J. Rel. trial of 85
"Augusta" Rel. condemnation of 129, 144
Allison S.F. Rel. capture of 67
Nicholas J.C. Orders for 54, 60, 112
" " 118, 232, 352, 355
" Rel. Ret. Survey 260, 356, 357
"Nightingale" Rel. capture of 251
O'Grady - Rel. transfer 168, 225
Olson H. Rel. capture of 3
Olson S.K. Sep. for duty 131
" Rel. Fs Transfer 152
" Rel. pay of 205
" Rel. Retirement of 206, 220
Patterson T.W. Rel. removal of 14
Peterson P. Rel. cap. of 67
Quigley Wm Rel. Transfer 348
Rumsey H.M. " " 139, 140, 145, 191
" " " " 226
Rhind A.C. Complaint of 281, 304
Orders for 358
"Richmond" Rel. Transfer 225
Robinson - " 186, 225
Sandstrom D. Rel. capture of 67
Seys J. Rel. receipts from 87
Shuttleworth Wm Rel. C.M. on 454
Smith Jas. Rel. capture of 67
Smith T.X. Orders for 116
Rel. Med. Survey 260, 360
Sargent - Rel. Transfer 225
Stevenson J. " " 354
Stewart J. Ordered home 202
Sullivan Jas. Rel. Med. Survey 69
"Supply" Rel. condition of 129, 144
Tidwell J.K.P. Rel. letter from V 321
Rel. complaint of 381
Tidwell R.F. Rel. to Transfer 276, 414
Taylor W. Orders for 222, 317, 327
" 335, 429, 434
" Rel. to Transfer 376
Thompson J. Taken prisoner 67
Thompson J.C. Rel. to Transfer 354
Todd - Rel. to Transfer 80
"Tyler" Rel. capture of 256
Tyler H.B. Rel. Med. Survey 171
" Rel. Transfer 227
Vedder W.M. Rel. Retirement of 37
Relative to 70
Walsh J.J. Rel. Med. Survey 69
Walsh Wm Service explained 151
Rel. Transfer 165, 231
Wilson Jno. Rel. to capture of 3
" Rel. to Transfer 57, 66
" Relative to 324

C 8 1

C. N. W. R.

11

C. N. W. R.

5

116

U.S. Steamship Constellation
Navy Yard, Norfolk,
October 8th 1870.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department that Asst. Surgeon Medical Director, to the Constellation, to the Medical Case, of Lieutenant Commander, attached to the Corps of Artificers.

Please direct Surgeon, ordered Sick Leave to take passage, on board the U.S. Steamer "Ossipee" and upon his arrival, to report in writing, to the Navy Department, and to transmit with it a copy of this order.

Herewith, are two Medical Surveys, and four other papers, in one package, marked A, which relates to the Medical Case, of Lieut. H. A. Crabb.

I also submit herewith, marked B. a package containing a Report from Commander Otis Colburn, of the Steamer "Potomac", and three other papers, in relation to the intoxication, while serving on board that Vessel, which led to the suspension, of Lieut. Crabb from duty, which still continues.

When this Report was made here, upon the arrival of the "Potomac" at Annapolis, about the 2d, of August, a General Court Martial was sitting, and "should have ordered, the trial of Lieut. Crabb had it not been impracticable, owing to the condition of his health.

I have this, day transmitted a copy of this case, before the Department.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt.

Hon.
Isaac Toucey,
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

Chas. O'Neill
Flag Officer,
Commdg. U.S. Naval Station

Fill

F. Officers Comm.
No. 116.

"A"
Medical St. on L.
sent home in "Relief
Proceeding B. fr.
Comdr. J. Calhoun
re introduction of Lr.
Nothing Papers

9 Mch 14 Fr

1/

W. I. I. Portsmouth
Ste Paul de Loanda
Octor 5th 1860

Sir,

The report of the Medical Survey held on Smith H. M. Crabb 31st August last advises, that his return to the United States be under Medical Care in Case he should not have recovered before the occurrence of such an opportunity.

Mr Crabb's Condition still renders him unfit for duty and, as the Store Ship "Relief" with a Medical officer attached is now in this port and will probably sail soon for the United States, I would recommend his return home in her.

I am my Respectfully
Thos. B. Moncrieff
Surgeon

Commander John Calhoun
Commanding

A

C

U. S. S. "Potomac"

Loanda, Oct. 4th 1860

Sir.

In a communication from your dated Sept. 18th ult., relative to the Medical Survey on Lieutenant Horace N. Crabb, I am directed to report when an opportunity may offer for the return of Lieut. Crabb to the United States by a conveyance meeting the requirements of the Survey.

I have, therefore, to state that a suitable opportunity for his return, is now presented by the Store Ship "Relief", now in this port.

I enclose herewith, a statement from Surgeon Maxwell of this ship, as required in your instructions.

I am,

Very Respectfully,
Your obdt. Servt.
Jno. Orrell Rose

Flag Officer
Wm. Inman.
Comdg. U. S. Naval Forces,
Coast of Africa.

Commander.

9

0

U.S. Naval Hospital
Mare Island
September 1st 1880.

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 30th ult.
enclosing a communication from Lieut. Haywood
U.S.N. Belmont, relating to the condition of Lieut. C. F.
Webb at that time, with your request that an order may
issued for a Medical Survey, based upon the Opinion
herein set forth in that communication.

A Medical Survey has been held accordingly to-day
upon, and I send herewith the Duplicate of
Report dated August 31st 1880.

You will be pleased to furnish a copy thereof to
upon Charles F. Maxwell of the Belmont, that he
may be enabled promptly to meet the Medical requirements
the case and to fulfil the conditions recommended
the Survey, when an early suitable opportunity occurs
for the return of Lieut. H. A. Webb to the United States.

You will report to me when such an opportunity
may present itself, and your report will be accompanied
a Statement of the health of Lieut. Webb, and
what it will then be safe, or necessary, for him to
done to the United States.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed W^m Jamison
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval Hospital

Commander,
John Guthrie
Comdg U.S.S. "Belmont"
Pensacola.

True copy. Handsen Bevel
Flag Officers Secretary.

0

U. S. S. "Portsmouth"
St Paul de Loanda
August 30th 1866.

Sir,

The report of the Medical Survey on Lt. H. N. Crabb was shown to me by Captain Nicholas.

Though the report complies with the rules for Survey I think, it does not fully meet all the requirements of the case.

When on the 27th inst. I called your attention to Mr Crabbs condition I hoped the jaundiced appearance then existing might be temporary, to day however, Icterus is fully developed which, supervening on a system already much depressed by severe mental suffering, presents to my mind a sequel for grave consideration.

At present Mr Crabb is not only unfit for service but, his condition is such, that, were he subjected to any great degree of mental agitation, the consequences might be serious and for which, as his Medical Adviser, I could not in any way be Re=
=sponsible.

The duration of his present disease

Commander
Jno. Colhoun
Comdg. U. S. S. "Portsmouth"

for reasons stated in the report, is, uncertain
while, their continuance, not only protracts,
but necessarily must influence the final
result.

With this view, and my knowledge
of the case in all its bearings I am
decidedly of opinion that Mr. Crabb's retu
to the United States at the earliest perio
consistent with his present state of healt
and personal safety, is imperatively called

I am
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Chas D. Musgrave
Surgeon.

Duplicate

12

U. S. S. Portsmouth
St Paul de Loanda
August 27th 1865

Sir,

Lieut A. N. Crabb who was apparently, improving a few days since is, today, re-admitted on the Sick Report.

In my judgement, a Medical Survey is desirable in his case.

I am very respectfully
Chas D. Maxwell
Surgeon

Commander,
John Colhoun
Commanding
U. S. Ship Portsmouth.

U. S. S. Portsmouth
August 27th 1865.

Sir,

I have to respectfully request that a Medical Survey may be ordered upon Lt. Crabb, reported by Surgeon Maxwell in the above communication. I am, very Respectfully,
Your obdt. servt.
Jno. Colhoun
Commander

Flag Officer
Wm. Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Final Survey in case of Lt. Crabb, Ordered on the 27th inst.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
August 29th 1860.

Gentlemen:

You will hold a Strict and Careful Medical Survey upon Lieut. Crabb, agreeably to the foregoing request of Commander John Calhoun Comdg U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth" and you will report to me in Triplicate your decision

Very Respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
[signature]
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Asst-Surgeon J. L. Smith — U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
Pr. Apothecary J. H. Otis. — U. S. Steamer Sumpter
2d. Assist. Surgeon J. M. Browne — U. S. Flag Ship Constellation

13

U.S. Ship "Portsmouth"
St. Paul de Loanda
August 29th 1860

Sir:

In obedience to the preceding Order we have held a strict and careful Survey upon Lieut. H. N. Crabb and report as follows:

Lieut. H. N. Crabb is now suffering from nervous prostration, mental anxiety, sleeplessness & sympathetical derangement of certain secretory organs, an tolerable complexion & abnormal urine, any function being prominent.

In June last while at Madeira he was admitted to the sick list & treated for Delirium Tremens; Six days after his discharge he was re-admitted & has since been treated for nervous depression. Prior to his re-admission he was suspended from Duty & it is the opinion of his medical attendant, that influenced in a degree by the original attack, his present nervous debility has its origin in solicitude respecting the event of his prosecution, which now distracts the mind & keeps it in a state of painful uneasiness. The opinion is also expressed that if relieved from prosecution, with an assurance of no future difficulty resulting from the same, he would eventually be enabled to perform Duty.

his Opinion we concurr.
His condition renders him unfit
present service: the Disease is incur
There is no evidence that his Disea
originated in the line of Duty.

We are, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servts.
T. L. Smith
Asst Surgn
9th N.Y. Vols.

Wm. M. Browne
Asst Surgn 9th N.Y. Vols

To
Brig Genl
W. H. Ingram.
Comdg W.F. African Squadron.

U. S. S. Portsmouth
August 23rd. 1860

Sir,

It becomes my painful duty to report to you the following circumstances relative to Lieutenant H. N. Crabb, attached to this ship.

At about half-past one, A.M, June 18th., at anchor off Funchal, Madeira, Lieut. Crabb, Officer of the Deck, turned and sent the Dingey on shore in charge of a Quarter Master, to procure and bring off liquor to him.

On the forenoon of the following day, June 19th, Lieut. Crabb did not present himself to relieve the officer of the preceding, or morning watch; nor did he appear on deck, although repeatedly sent for by the Senior Lieutenant, R. B. Riell. Upon Medical examination, he was pronounced to be under the influence of Alcoholic stimulus, and he has since that time been under the Surgeon's care for Delirium Tremens, or other kindred disease.

He has been under suspension since the last date specified above.

I enclose herewith, copies of communica-

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg. U. S. Naval Forces
Coast of Africa

U. S. S. Portsmouth
Loanda, August 30th 1860.

Sir,

I herewith inclose a communication from Surgeon Maxwell of this ship, relative to the condition of Lieut. Crabb at this time; and have ~~to~~ respectfully to request that a Medical Survey, based on the opinion therein expressed, may be ordered.

I am, Very Respectfully,
Your obdt. servt.
Jno Colhoun
Commander.

Flag Officer
Wm. Inman,
Comdg U. S. Naval Force,
Coast of Africa.

=munications from Lieut. Riell, Surgeon Maxwell, and Assist. Surgeon Kindleberger, relating to the case.

I am, Very Respectfully,
Your obdt. servt.
Jno Colhoun
Commander.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
August 31st 1860.

Gentlemen

Agreeably to the request, dated 30th inst. herein contained, of Commander John Colhoun, based upon the opinion, herein appended, of Surgeon Charles H. Maxwell, both of the U. S. Sloop "Jamestown" I have held a strict and careful Medical Survey upon Lieut. H. N. Crabb of that Vessel, and you will report to me in Triplicate your decision.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt

Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Dr. Asst. Surgeon S. H. Otis. U. S. Steamer "Sumpter"
Dr. Assist. Surgeon John M. Browne U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Assist. Surgeon Alexander M. Vedder U. S. Steam Frigate San J.

16

U. S. Ship Portsmouth
St Paul de Loando
August 31st 1860

Sir

In obedience to your order of this date, we have held a strict and careful survey on the case of Lieut H. N. Crabb and report as follows,

In addition to the report made by the Medical survey of August 29th, which we have read and fully subscribe to, we find that the jaundiced condition of the patient has become more fully developed:

Our opinion based on the appended letter of Surgeon C. S. Maxwell is, that Mr Crabbs return to the United States at the earliest period consistent with his present state of health and personal safety is advisable, provided that he does not suffer under present or subsequent causes of treatment pursued

We have to state that while under treatment he should be free from all sources of excitement as far as possible and in the event of his being transferred from this station, that he should be under Medical care —

Respectfully
Your Obedient servants
S. H. Otis Pr. Asst Surgeon
John M Browne
Pro. Asst. Surg.
Alex M Vedder
Asst Surgeon.

Flag. Officer
Wm Inman
Comdr in U S Naval Forces
Coast of Africa

Copy-

U. S. Ship Portsmouth
Funchal, Madeira
June 25th 1860.

Sir,

The condition of Lieut. H. N. Crabb is such to-day, that, unless he can have the quiet of shore, I cannot be responsible for his recovery-

I therefore earnestly urge his speedy removal from the ship for a few days, the necessary duties of which, preclude the quiet requisite for his restoration to health.

I am, Very Respectfully,
Chas. D. Maxwell
Surgeon-

Jno. Colhoun Esq.
Commanding-

A true copy-
Edwd. F. Winslow
Capt. Clerk.

Copy -

U. S. Ship of War Portsmouth
Funchal, Madeira,
June 19th 1860.

Sir,

In compliance with your order of this date, I herewith communicate a statement in writing of the circumstances relative to Lieut. H. N. Crabb's case, which I verbally communicated to you upon your arrival on board ship this morning; that I had suspended him from duty for disobedience of orders -

The facts are as follows: I learned that the officer of the deck of the morning watch, Midn. Prentiss, had not been relieved by Lieut. Crabb, who had the preceding, or forenoon watch; when I ordered Midn. Prentiss to send for him - After a sufficient time had elapsed, he not presenting himself, I sent the Orderly of the Cabin Door to tell Lieut. Crabb to come on deck; that I wished to see him - After waiting some time on the Quarter Deck, and finding that Lieut. Crabb did not present himself, I sent the Orderly again to him to repeat the same order; and in reply, the Orderly stated that he said he would be up in a minute - I then waited a reasonable length of time, and finding that my orders were disobeyed, I directed Mr. Hamilton, the Gunner, to say to Lieut. Crabb to consider himself under suspension from duty -

Also in compliance with your order of this

Commander John Colhoun
Comdg U. S. S. Portsmouth

Copy-

U. S. S. Portsmouth
Funchal, Madeira, June 19th 1860.

Sir,

In compliance with your order I have seen Lieut. Crabb- I found him talking in a disconnected and irrational manner: his muscles were affected with tremor: his pulse, and system in other respects are good- He is no doubt under the influence of some alcoholic stimulus-

Very Respectfully,
Your obdt. servt.
David Kindleberger
Assist. Surgeon
U.S.N.

To
Commander
Jno. Colhoun
Comdg. U. S. S. Portsmouth
Funchal, Madeira.

A true copy-
Edw. K. Winslip
Captains Clerk

This day, subsequently to the above, I visited Lieut. Crabb, in his stateroom, - whom I found in bed, who appeared in my opinion to be labouring under the influence of some intoxicating beverage, or narcotic -

Very Respectfully,
Your obdt. Servt.
Robert B. Rulk
Lieut. & Executive Officer

A true copy -
Edw. K. Winslip
Captains Clerk

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Croix de Lorraine
October 8th 1860.

Sir.

I have the honor, to report, that the "Iroquois" left Aspinwall the 29th ult. in five days, & she will be docked, & will sail for New York, via Florida, this week.

The Paymaster of the "Richmond" and Captain, Edward Lee "Sibyl" will have made a thorough overhaul of the engine, and boiler and will sail on a short visit.

The "Richmond" arrived on the 4th inst. has been provisioned and Watered, & cleaned, has been relieved as Flag ship, and as every officer on board of her, & the ship's company are home sick, & will in two days, for Barbadoes or Castle Pinckney.

The "Constellation" will, immediately, receive board and supplies, and sail in three days, for the Island of St. Thomas, to which place, by Brig No 114. The Flag Ship, will sail, to-day or to-morrow. The "Old Ironsides" and officers, are now here, & on the 8th inst. Since the 8th inst. The general health in the squadron is good.

I have sent to the Navy Yard, via the Store Ship "Relief," the Cabin, and Light of the Ship, & the above Pressure Log, duplicated by this ship on the 28th ult. I have drawn a Pay Order, for the Cabin, & Log, in addition to those sent by the Iroquois, in addition to them.

Since Cabin, Mess and Store in the "Relief," and there are 21 Vacancies & Officers, in this Squadron, viz. Five Lieutenants, One 2d Lieut. of Marines, Two Masters, Seven

Yours.

Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

Carpenters, Blacksmiths, Fire Tender, Two Assistant Engineers and One Sail Maker.

I have the honor to be very respectfully Your Obt. Servt.

J. M. Adams

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. N. African Squadron

Adk

Dec. 19. 60

4 Copies Sent

No. 11 -

91

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
off Aguada de Negara,
October 8th 1860.

Sir

I have the honor to submit here-
with, the proceedings, finding and sentence
of a General Court Martial, held
on the Case, of Charles A. Kimball, Landsman
of the U.S. Sloop "Vincennes", which I
have approved.

In pursuance of the sentence, I
have ordered Kimball, to be transferred
to the U.S. Store Ship "Relief", for conveyance
to the United States. Where he will await
the orders of the Navy Department.

I am
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]

Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Naval Forces

Com.

Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

No. 118—

Fort Reno

C. D. Rinehart

Dec. 4–60

C

Ft. Reno, Indian Territory
December 4th 1860

Sir,

I have the honor to report, the Lieutenant Stanton the 18th inst. crossed over the Red River, and encamped on the South side, latitude 34° 56' - longitude 16° 34'. 0.

Captain Brown's company moved over on the 19th inst. the Lieutenant Stanton's company "Davis" & Lieutenant Hudson's "Wells" on the 20th, with the Quartermaster's train, and the Indian guide. I will leave Lieutenant Hudson with the Indians, & Quartermaster's train, & Captain Brown's company Red River & Lieutenant Stanton's company & myself.

I respectfully send this report, that it may go forward by Lieutenant Hudson, who is ordered to report to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I am,
very respectfully
Your Ob't Servt
[illegible]
Maj. 6th Inf.
Commanding Expedition

Hon.
Thos. Cass
Secretary of War
Washington, D.C.

Ex. O. Journ.

№ 119.

Cook

Dec. 19- 66

1 Dec 19

H.B.M.'s Ship "Constantine"
at Isla de Lagunta
October 5th 1860.

Circular.

I have the honour to inform you that I have received information that Little Corsairs for protection of American Merchants, resident at Nicaragua & Costa Rica, have received instructions to seize all vessels, of the United States, which may be found in the Waters of those States, and bring them into Port.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient
humble Servant
Commander in Chief
H.B.M.'s Ships & Vessels
Bay of Honduras.

The Hon. [illegible]
Bay Islands

A. a. Légation Impériale
de Perse à Berlin
Berlin, le 6 Fév 1861.

Excellence,

J'ai l'honneur de prier Votre Excellence de vouloir bien me faire savoir si Sa Majesté le Roi de Prusse a daigné accorder le placet à Mr. Mirza Ali Akbar Khan, que j'ai eu l'honneur de présenter à Votre Excellence.

Je saisis cette occasion pour renouveler à Votre Excellence les assurances de ma haute considération.

Votre Excellence
le très humble et très obéissant serviteur
A. a. de Perse à Berlin

A Son Excellence Monsieur le Baron de Schleinitz
Ministre d'Etat et des Affaires Etrangères
Berlin

S^R Inquisidor y Examinador

1770.

No. 2.

[illegible]
H.M. Ship [illegible]
at Spithead 3rd Dec. 1806.

Sir,

You will proceed to the Nore with the Merchant vessels under your convoy named in the margin, and on your arrival there you will put yourself under the orders of the Commander in Chief, or Senior Officer of His Majesty's ships you may find there, and follow such directions as you may receive from him for the further prosecution of your voyage.

You will be careful to keep your Ship as well to windward of the Fleet under your convoy as the nature of the weather will admit of, and you will not quit your station without the most urgent necessity, nor will you on any account suffer any of the Ships under your convoy to separate from you, unless they are obliged to do so by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident.

You will keep a good look out, and in case you discover any strange sail, or suspect any danger, you will make the proper signals to the Fleet, and to the Merchant Ships under your convoy, and you will take such steps for the protection of the latter as circumstances may render necessary.

In case of separation from the Fleet by bad weather, you will proceed to the Rendezvous appointed for the Fleet in the event of such separation, which is Yarmouth Roads, and there you will remain 24 or 48 hours, until you meet the Fleet or receive further orders.

In case you should be driven to the Southward of the Nore, you will proceed to the Downs, and there you will remain 24 or 48 hours, until you meet the Fleet or receive further orders.

In case you should be driven to the Northward of the Nore, you will proceed to Leith Roads, and there you will remain 24 or 48 hours, until you meet the Fleet or receive further orders.

In case you should be driven to the Eastward of the Nore, you will proceed to Hamburgh, and there you will remain 24 or 48 hours, until you meet the Fleet or receive further orders.

In case you should be driven to the West

H.M. Ship "Constellation"
at Port de Jeanda
September 1st 1862.

Sir,

You will cruize without, agreeable to keeping the Coast as to Bahia Fonda, until the 20th inst., at which time you will return to this port. After which you will be guided by my order of the 3rd inst., touching your proceedings after rendezvous at Fonda, from your present cruize.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. Pacific Squadron.

Commander
John Colhoun
H.M. Ship "Portsmouth"

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

30
V

A.D.C. Lieut Colonel Commanding
Fort Lewis de Lancey
Colorado Ter. U.S.A.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith the proceedings, findings & sentence of the General Court-Martial in the case of

Asst Surgeon
John Bell U.S.A.
and Asst Surgeon
Jas A. Ford
U.S.A.

now in session at this Post, and to request the action of the Commanding General thereon.

I am, Sir,
Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Jno. Bell
Asst Surgeon U.S.A.
Recorder

To
The Asst Adjt Genl
Dept of the Platte
Omaha Nebraska.

Fwd.

Jas A. Ford
Asst Surgeon U.S.A.
Judge Advocate

32
0

53

Copy

H.B.M. Ship "Constitution"
St. Paul de Loanda
September 6th 1860.

Sir,

You will proceed with the "San Lacinto," under your command, to Bahia Ponta, where the "Falmouth" is ordered to be on or about the 10th or 15th inst., until she meets one of the Steamers of the squadron, you will remain near that until you can communicate with her.

You will be pleased to deliver to Commander Brown the despatch, sent to you herewith, immediately on which you will obey my orders of the 5th inst.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron.

To
Thomas A. Vernon
Lieut. H.M. Steam Frigate "San Lacinto"
Loanda

True Copy. Alexander Mearns
Flag Officer's Secretary.

341
0

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
At Anchor in Loanda
October 1st 1864

Sir.

You will report to Captain Conrad for duty on board the U.S. Steamer San Lucido.

You will be pleased to hold yourself in readiness to take passage in the U.S. Steamer "Gertie" Lieut. Condon Commdg, to whom you will report before ten o'clock Tomorrow.

If the "San Lucido" is not met by the "Gertie", you will return in her to Loanda.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Bunce
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. African Squadron

Wilson
A. C. Stephenson
U. S. Navy.

True Copy. Wm Bunce
Flag Officers Secretary

U. S. Hospital Transport Illinois
off St. Louis de Kennebec
October 1st 1862.

[illegible] proof [illegible] Surgeon
[illegible], for duty at Grand Ecore [illegible]
Red River."

You will be guided [illegible]
[illegible] to take passage [illegible] U. S. M.
[illegible] "Mystic," Lieut. Comdg Le Roy, to whom
you will report, before [illegible].

If the "Red Rover" is not met by the
"Mystic," you will proceed to New Orleans.

Yours,
[illegible]
Surgeon U.S. Vols.
Medical Director
Dept of the Gulf
[illegible]

Assistant Surgeon
[illegible]
U. S. Vols

Copy respectfully furnished
Surgeon in Charge Naval
Hospital New Orleans.

[illegible]

[illegible] Kriegsschiffe [illegible]
[illegible] Kriegsschiffe [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Kriegsschiffe [illegible]
[illegible] Kriegsschiffe [illegible]
[illegible] Kriegsschiffe [illegible]

C

Flag Officer's Instructions
Letter Book No 1 Page

370

Commander W. H. Rose, Commanding the U.S. Steamer
"Iroquois" Boston Harbour

Sir

You are hereby directed to proceed with the Steamer under your command to the Port of Lisbon, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Madeira, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of St. Thomas, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Ascension, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of St. Helena, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Tristan da Cunha, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Gough, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Inaccessible, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Nightingale, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Middle, and on your arrival there you will report your self to the Consul of the United States, and deliver to him the Despatches which you have in charge. You will then proceed to the Island of Stoltenhoff

U.S. Steamer Wyoming
St Thomas W.I.
1/1/68

40

U.S. Ship "Wyoming"
St. Thomas W.I.
January 6th 1868.

Sir

I have the honor to inform you, that on the night of the 31st ult. a fire broke out in the neighborhood of the Navy Yard, which, owing to the combustible character of the buildings, and the high wind which prevailed at the time, soon assumed large proportions. Upon receiving the alarm, the Ship's fire engine was landed, and proceeded to the scene of the conflagration, but before it arrived, the fire had been extinguished by the Navy Yard fire engine.

I have, &c.,

Wm. Whipple Smith
Lieut. Com'd'g U.S.S. Wyoming
Flag Officer,
Commd'g N.A. & S.A. Squadron.

Lieut. Com'd'g
James P. Robertson
Commd'g U.S. Steamer "Wyoming"
Panama.

A true copy. Attest
Flag Officer's Secretary.

H.M. Steam Ship "Excellent"
at Gibraltar
4th September 1860.

Sir,

You will proceed to Cadiz, or Vigo, or Lisbon, as circumstances, respectively, may render most convenient to you, & on your arrival at either of those Ports, you will report your proceedings to me, in order that I may give such further directions as may be necessary.

You will be furnished herewith, for your information & guidance, with a Statement of the Assembly of Naval Vessels on Stand, & also the Assembly which may be ordered to rendezvous from the United States.

You will receive the Pay & Victuals for the Squadron, due 28th instant, upon this Ground, without loss of time, to Lisbon. You will observe the Rules and General Orders for Steamers, dated 21st August 1860

I am,
Sir,
Your respectful
Obed. Hble Servt.
To Thomas Wm Symonds
Flag Officer
Commdg H.M. Steam Squadron

Lieut. Lowndes
James St. Aubyn
Commdg H.M. Steamer "Tempter"

Lieut. Lowndes Memo
Flag Officer Gibraltar

A. A. Flag Mess Secretaries
U.S. Asiatic Fleet
Care of Post Office
San Francisco

Officers of the Navy will be furnished with a copy of this circular letter by the Secretary of the Mess pertaining to their station.

Mess Bills "Standing" will be rendered by the Secretary of the Mess on the last day of each month.

Mess

Navy Yard
Mare Island
Cal.

Flag Officer
Commanding U.S. Asiatic Fleet

Capt. Commanding
Receiving Ship
Commanding U.S. Steamer "Saginaw"
Boards.

Mess Officers U.S.S. "Olympia"
Flag Officer's Mess.

H. M. Hospital Ship "Assistance"
at Victoria Docks
October 8th 1860

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that I arrived in this River, with the Hospital Ship under my command, on the 6th inst. from Malta, and have since received on board the Patients from the Hospitals at Woolwich, Chatham & Haslar, as directed by your Letter of the 3rd inst.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Thos. Longridge
Inspector of Hospitals
and Superintending Surgeon
of H.M. Steamer "Assistance"

To
The Secretary
of the Admiralty
London

1/5
0

116
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
September 8th 1860

You will cause, under my general and special instructions, for the suppression of the Slave trade, in American Vessels; and for the protection of the rights of American Citizens, and their property.

The devices employed by Slavers, to elude the vigilance of Cruisers, are so various, that a considerable discretion, in the Commanders of the several Vessels, of this Squadron, is requisite, to effect the suppression of that traffic.

The intelligence of those Commanders, and the experience they have acquired, induce me, to accord that discretion, and to rely upon them, for its proper exercise.

The Slave trade, is supposed to be most actively conducted, at this time, at various points, along the line of the West Coast of Africa, extending from Ambriz, on the South to Cape Lopez on the North.

The interruptions by Cruisers, will probably cause, Shipments of Slaves, from any port or from the whole Coast, North of Cape Lopez, as far as Cape Palmas - except at places, held in Sovereignty, by Great Britain, France, Spain, Portugal or the Republic of Liberia.

The Islands of Anno Bom, and of St. Thomas, are doubtless resorted to, by Vessels preparing to take Slaves, from the Coast.

You are to cruise, more especially, along the Coast, from Ambriz to Cape Lopez, with deviations to the other points, above named, when you may have reason, to believe that such deviations, will better

- Subserve -

Commander
C. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
St. Paul de Loanda.

to observe the intent of my instructions.

In all cases of Capture, you will detach as few persons, from your Command, as it may be safe to do, as every such detachment, weakens the chances, of making Seizures, in the future: particularly as there is small probability, of deficiency of Complement, being made good, from the United States.

With this View, I Suggest, that in the event of a Capture of a Vessel, with a large number of Slaves on board, which supposes a Vessel of Considerable Size, that you Consider, and act upon, the expediency, of accompanying such Captured Vessel, to Monrovia, for some distance on the Way, as may be practicable, with reference to your supplies, of Coal and provisions.

This proposition, will not apply, to Captures of smaller vessels. The object of your Convoying, the latter one, being to give assistance and protection, to the prize which, when emptied of her Slaves at Monrovia, may then, safely proceed, to the United States, with the least prize Crew.

If you make Capture, of a Vessel with a number of Slaves, and you have but one Sea Mate or Coxswain left on board the "Mohican," you will endeavor to convey the prize, with the "Mohican," to Monrovia, and place the re-captured Africans, in the hands of the United States Agent, (Revd. John Seys.) taking triplicate receipts for them; moor the Vessel securely, place one of the Commissioned Officers, in charge of her, with two Seamen or Petty Officers and Six of your best Seamen.

You will instruct the Officer, left in charge of the prize, with a View to her remaining at Monrovia, (subject to the Sanatory regulations) until persons can be sent, to conduct her to the United States; and you will make provision, for the subsistence of those left at Monrovia, during the interval.

Take on board the "Mohican," six other Seamen, inform the United States Agent, and the Colonial Authorities, how and Why the Vessel, is thus left for a time; all which you will execute, with the least possible.

You will then return to Loanda, to meet [illegible] — Reports of

[illegible] sent to the Commander-in-Chief. On your way, in either direction, with a prize, you will, if necessary, take as much coal at Fernando Po, as you may need, or as may last to Loanda, and if on your way, either, without Officers, you find a Slaver, seize and bring her with you to that Port.

If you visit Monrovia, upon any above supposed, contingency, you will remain there, as little time as possible.

You will observe, the General Order dated 21st August 1860, shewing the Rotation, for the Mail Service, by the Steamers — Also the Rules, dated August 4th 1860, for their General guidance.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
signed, [illegible] Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron —

True Copy. L. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

Special Orders.

U. S. Steamer "Mohican"

8th Monthly transmission

1860.

[illegible]

[illegible] Mystic will not be wanted for the purpose which required her return to Loanda by the 14th of October next.

You will likewise return to Loanda until the 25th of October. On your arrival there will at once fill up Coal, Water and Supplies, in readiness for Service.

I am,

Your most respectfull,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Brown
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. Naval Squadron

[illegible] Comdg
Wm E. de Kay
Comdg H.M.S. Steamer "Mystic"
West Coast of Africa.

A true Copy. [illegible]
Flag Officer [illegible]

52

0

55

U.S. Frigate "Constellation"
at Sea, September 26th 1860

Sir,

You will proceed on board the
Revenue Cutter Lawrence, Captain Hatch, Master,
take a passage in accordance of the Cargo,
and take the Secondary of the Vessels on board
for.

In doing this, it will be necessary to open
the Packages, which you will do in the most
careful Manner, and make your Report to me
in writing, as soon as practicable.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Steam Frigate Constellation

Lieut. R. L. Doyle
Lieut. Commdg. U.S.R.C. Lawrence
U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"

True Copy. Wm. Van Rensselaer
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Smyrna, September 26th 1860.

Sir,

You are hereby authorized to draw upon the Navy Agent at Boston for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, to defray the expenses of the prize Barque "Cora" under your Command, for which you will sign the necessary receipts.

Upon your arrival in the United States, you will transfer the unexpended balance, together with the Vouchers for purchases made, to the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
Thos. H. Eastman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Master
Thomas H. Eastman
U. S. Navy
Comdg Prize Barque "Cora"

True Copy Thomas H. Eastman
Flag Officer U. S. Navy.

S.S. "Flag of the Constitution"
At sea, September 26th 1860

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acquaint you for the information of Thomas Masters, Esq., Commanding Ship "Flag of the Constitution" that we have boarded and taken possession of the said Barque or Vessel called the Flying Fish, for Wilful Murder and the Murderers are safe.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Flag Officer
Commanding H.M. African Squadron

To
The Master
Ship "Flag of the Constitution"

A true Copy. J. Brodie Cleverly
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
Africa, September 26th 1860.

Sir,

I am this moment on board the Steamer "Lyon," Captain Cockburn, by this ship, and report myself Master Thomas H. Eastman, for duty.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Svt.
(Signed) Wm. Freeman
Flag Officer
Commdg U. S. African Squadron

To
Thos. H. Eastman
U. S. Ship "Hartford"
U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation."

True Copy. Wm. Freeman
Flag Officer Commanding.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Port de Loanda
October 1st 1858.

Sir,

I have the honor to present to Commodore [illegible] Esq. Navy Agent, Liverpool, England, Midshipman Seaman, and Ord. Seaman Bell, in exchange for Midshipman Seaman, and Ord. Seaman Wilson.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Seaman
Flag Officer
Commdg U. S. African Squadron.

Captain
John J. Nicholas
Commdg U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda.

True Copy. N. Marsden Clerk
Flag Officers Secretary.

H.M. Ship Constellation
at Grand Turk
October 6th 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the information of the Department, the Log of the Steamer Cora, which vessel was boarded this day, as per Log. I am also sending with this Report three Negroes.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Atlantic Blockading Squadron

Hon Gideon Welles
Secy of the Navy
Washington D.C.

Copy
Comdg U.S. Ship "Constellation"
Grand Turk

Copy respy. to Lieut. Commdg
Flag Steamer Cora

H. M. Ship "Constellation"
at St. Paul de Loanda
October 6th 1860.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Log of H. M. Steam Ship "Kite," Edward Bremridge, Commander, employed on the West Coast of Africa.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient
Humble Servt.
Lewis M. Heath
Lieut. & Senior Officer Employed

To
The Secretary of the Admiralty
London

H. M. Ship "Kite" at St. Nicholas
Sunday 7th. H. M. Ship "Constellation"
Loanda.

Paris, le 5 Octobre 1871.

Monsieur le Rédacteur,

Dans votre numéro du 3 courant, vous avez inséré un article intitulé "Correspondance" portant la signature de Mr. Ch. Mc Mahon, et daté de Versailles, le 2 courant.

Cet article contient des allégations inexactes, qui ne peuvent rester sans réponse.

Veuillez donc, Monsieur le Rédacteur, insérer dans votre plus prochain numéro la présente lettre, et recevoir l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Le Comte de Chambord

Paris, le 5 Octobre 1871.

Monsieur le Rédacteur,

Dans votre numéro du 3 courant, vous avez inséré un article intitulé "Correspondance" portant la signature de Mr. Ch. Mc Mahon, et daté de Versailles, le 2 courant.

Cet article contient des allégations inexactes, qui ne peuvent rester sans réponse.

Veuillez donc, Monsieur le Rédacteur, insérer dans votre plus prochain numéro la présente lettre, et recevoir l'assurance de ma considération distinguée.

Le Comte de Chambord

H.M.S. "Flag" Ship "Undaunted"
at Spithead
October 5th 1854.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for the information of their Lordships the Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter addressed to me by Captain Peel, of H.M.S. "Undaunted", under date the 3rd instant, stating that he has received Orders to proceed to Lisbon, under Sealed Instructions, which he is not to open until he has passed Scilly, and to which Port he is to proceed with the utmost dispatch.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant.
(Signed) Wm. Bowles
Flag Captain
and Chief Staff Officer
to Rear Admiral Dundas.

Captain
Sir Geo. Seymour K.C.B.
&c. &c. &c.

Copy of Letter from Captain Peel
Flag Ship "Undaunted"
to Rear Admiral Dundas.

U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
St. Paul de Loanda
October 6th 1860.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith the Muster Rolls of the Crew of the U. S. Flag Ship "Constitution" for the month of September, and I have to request you will be pleased to exchange Corps of Lieutenants, and Marines.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Cyrus H. Perkins
Flag Officer
Commdg U. S. Naval Squadron

Commander
T. A. Dove
Commdg U. S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda

Same to Capts. Abbenden Marcel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

C. N. W. R.

C

0,8,0

70
5

71
6

H.M.S. Victory, at Portsmouth
8th February
October 8th 1860

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the enclosed Petition addressed to me by Thomas Hoskins, late Boy of this Ship, praying to be discharged, on account of his extreme youth, on board the "Steam Sloop "Rifle," as stated by the Master of the Captain and Chief Engineer thereof.

The names of those Witnesses are Thomas Cockerham, Edward Hoskins and Daniel Hopkins, Volunteers 1st Class, who might be called in at the Office of the Principal Inspector, Portsmouth, and I propose the Lieutenant of the Ship and the Commandant of the Station, accordingly.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) Wm. Stevens
Flag Officer
Commdg H.M. Steam Squadron

The Commander
in Chief H.M. Steam Sloop "Rifle"
Sheerness

True Copy of Mr. Stevens Letter
Flag Officer's Secretary.

74 C

U.S. Flagship "Constellation"
at St. Pierre de Martinique
October 8th 1800.

Sir

I have the pleasure to inform you that the U.S. Ship "Retaliation" Thos. L. Shaw, Commander, and Merchant Vessels under her convoy, left Basseterre Road, Guadaloupe, bound to the U.S. on the 1st Inst. and parted Company with the "Constellation" on the 3d Inst. in Lat. 17° 30' N. Long. 61° 30' W.

The Recipient of the Dispatches will be pleased to note their Arrivals.

Copies of Orders delivered to Capt. Shaw, will make Duplicate Reports of the Arrivals of the Vessels under his Convoy, and to the Department of State.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Sir
Your Obt. Servt.
Edward Preble
Commd. U.S. Ships & Vessels in the West Indies

To
Benjamin Stoddert Esqr.
Secretary of the Navy
Philadelphia

True Copy. Attested
Thos. Jefferson Randolph

7.5°
0

H.M.S. "Magicienne" Constantinople
at Grand de Legnola
Corfu 4th Oct.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have received from Rear Admiral Sir Thomas Pasley Bart. C.B. Commander in Chief of the Mediterranean Station, a Copy of the Sentence of a Court Martial, which I enclose as follows. viz - "That he be sent to the Marshalsea Prison by the first opportunity, under Confinement."

You will give effect thereto, and report the Case to the Navy Department and to the Commandant of the Station, on your arrival.

Instructions from the Department will be necessary, previous to the discharge of Plimbell, to meet the requirements of his Sentence.

I have,
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servt.
(Signed) Geo. Wilson
Flag Officer
(Endd) H.M.S. Magicienne Corfu

To
Captain
T. M. Stone.
&c &c &c. Ship "Gorgon"
Candia.

True Copy of Wilson's Letter
to Flag Officer Secretary.

VC

70

[illegible]

[illegible] Sir, [illegible] Embarkation Return of Troops [illegible] Transport, you will proceed to Queenstown & within Cork Harbour, & on your arrival there report your proceedings to the Admiralty Agent at that Port.

On your arrival at Queenstown you will receive on board the Transport under your Command, the Prisoners, Officers and Crew of the Confederate Steamer "Alabama" now in Custody, the Prisoners, Officers and Crew of the Confederate Steamer "Georgia" now in Custody, and the Prisoners, Officers and Crew of the Confederate Steamer "Florida" now in Custody, and proceed with the whole of them to New York, where you will deliver them into the Charge of the U.S. Marshal for the District.

In the case of those of the Crew of the "Florida" named in your Margin, you will inform the Marshal of their Names and Stations on board the "Florida" as in the case of those who sail from this Port in the Transport under your Charge.

On your arrival at Queenstown you will transfer to the "Tuscarora" two of the Seamen Relief, to replace the two Men going home as Invalids. You will receive for passage to the U.S. Consul Surgeon N. M. Vedder, and report to Captain Inman Orders you are ready to sail, in execution of these and any other Orders. Upon being informed that he is also ready for your departure, you will proceed to New York.

I wish for you a safe and speedy passage

I am,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed, Wm. Inman

Flag Officer

Commanding N. A. Squadron

Commander

W. M. Dove

Royal Mail S. Ship "Magdalena"

Southampton.

A true copy. N. Vedder Assistant

Special Session

Special Orders

U. S. Ship "Union"

5th Monthly Examination

1760.

K K.

"Lake Erie Limited"
Lake Shore & M.S. Ry.
Cleveland, O. Nov. 16th 1906.

C.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant and the 8th of September last, the former stating receipt of my despatches numbered from 69 to 75 inclusive. The latter noted receipt of my despatches numbered from 68 to 80 inclusive.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servt.

Chief Clerk.

Hon.
Secretary of State
Washington
D.C.

Dear Sir,

Done Jany 21. 01

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

H. M. Ships Constitution
Off Rio de Janeiro,
January 14th 1866.

The Principal Medical Authority of the Ship is responsible that all Provisions supplied for the use of the Ship's Company are sound and wholesome, and that the Water is pure and fit for use.

The Surgeon shall be the Sole Authority for the Issue of Spirituous Liquors, and shall attend at the Grog Tub, and see that the Grog is properly mixed and served out.

The Surgeon shall be the Sole Authority for the Issue of Tobacco, and shall attend at the Tobacco Issue.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging, and shall see that the Punishment is inflicted with the proper Instrument, and that it is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Keel-hauling, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Starting, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Ducking, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Gagging, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging through the Fleet, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Gangway, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Capstan, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Mizen Rigging, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Main Rigging, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Fore Rigging, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Mizen Mast, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Main Mast, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Fore Mast, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Bowsprit, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Jib Boom, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Spanker Boom, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Gaff, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Topsail Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Topgallant Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Royal Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Skysail Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Moonsail Yard Arm, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Studding Sail Boom, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Royal Studding Sail Boom, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Skysail Studding Sail Boom, and shall see that the Punishment is not inflicted in a manner likely to cause Injury to the Health of the Person punished.

The Surgeon shall be present at the Punishment of Flogging at the Moonsail Studding Sail Boom

Port Lake place between 11 A.M. and 2 P.M.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comm[an]der-in-Chief
U.S. African Squadron.

The order directing the Naval Store Keeper
furnish extra Labor, and lighters, in Consequence
of Yellow fever, has been Countermanded.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Adk

Done
21 July 64

Commander dress
of the Yellow Stone
St Paul de Loanda

Feb 15. H

Ltr 124

125

Ltr Executive Department
Office Washington 12th 64.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Record of the proceedings of a General Court Martial, convened on board the U.S. Steamer Wyandotte, on the 10th of September 1864, for the trial of Peter Murphy, Landsman, and others; with the finding and Sentence approved.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Ob't Servt.

Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

25
6

Done
24 Feb 01

9 Feb 15

No 6

Washington, D.C.
Dec 15th 1861

Concerning the Ca...
Mallory Bark...
"King Lear"

Washington, D.C.
Dec 15th 1861

Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Department that I have received from the Rev. Edward Eggleston, U.S. Agent for Indian Affairs, resident at Leavenworth, Kansas, the following communications, marked A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, & &, which I herewith transmit.

"Leavenworth August 2d 1861, Hon. Wm. H. Seward, Secretary of State, Washington City, D.C. Sir, I have the honor to inform you, that the Steamer "Sam Gaty," owned by Messrs. C. C. Clemens & Co. of St. Louis, Captain Thomas M. Logan, was burned and destroyed by the Secessionists, on the Missouri River, on the 1st inst. Her cargo consisted of Indian Goods, and was destined for the Upper Missouri Agencies. The Steamer was valued at $15,000, and was insured for $10,000 in the Ætna Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn. The cargo was insured for $30,000 in the Ætna Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn. and the Merchants Insurance Co. of St. Louis, Mo. The Steamer was owned by Messrs. C. C. Clemens & Co. of St. Louis, Mo. I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant, (Signed) Thomas Murphy, Superintendent of Indian Affairs."

"Leavenworth August 3d 1861, Hon. Wm. H. Seward, Secretary of State, Washington City, D.C. Sir, I have the honor to inform you, that the Steamer "Sam Gaty," owned by Messrs. C. C. Clemens & Co. of St. Louis, Mo. was burned by the Secessionists, on the Missouri River, on the 1st inst. Her cargo consisted of Indian Goods, and was destined for the Upper Missouri Agencies. The Steamer was valued at $15,000, and was insured for $10,000 in the Ætna Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn. and the Merchants Insurance Co. of St. Louis, Mo. I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant, (Signed) Thomas Murphy, Superintendent of Indian Affairs."

"Leavenworth October 30th 1861, Hon. Simon Cameron, Secretary of War, Washington City, D.C. Sir, I have the honor to inform you, that the Steamer "Sam Gaty," owned by Messrs. C. C. Clemens & Co. of St. Louis, Mo. was burned by the Secessionists, on the Missouri River, on the 1st inst. Her cargo consisted of Indian Goods, and was destined for the Upper Missouri Agencies. I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant, (Signed) Thomas Murphy, Superintendent of Indian Affairs."

A correspondence is sent, pursuant to the request of Mr. Eggleston, in his letter herewith transmitted.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Secretary of the Interior.
Washington, D.C.

[illegible] to be examined by the [illegible]
[illegible] on board [illegible] of Black Heights, [illegible]
[illegible] at the Cabbage Tree Hill [illegible]
[illegible] situated in Table Bay, the property [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] Esquires, [illegible]
[illegible] the Steam Vessels named as [illegible]
[illegible] the Steamers were inserted and [illegible]
[illegible] 1855.)

I have,

Your obedient
Most Humble Servant

Wm Inman

Ass Engineer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

Ack

Dang
31 Jany 64

Recapitulation
number of Arc
marked and
to the Rev Jno C

Feby 15 7

[illegible]

No 128

ack.

Done 21 July 64

Renew applica
Paymaster
Orders to the

Adv

Loanda
21 July 61

c/E 129

Capt Morshy R.A.
&c &c &c.

70
6

H. B. Maj. Ship "Constellation"
at St Paul de Loanda,
November 1st 1861.

Sir

Enclosed is a General Order, by which you will perceive that the Yellow fever exists at Loanda — I am will therefore, upon your arrival there, on the 15th of November as ordered, at once use every means in your power, & leave it in the shortest possible time, the provisions and Stores you may require from the Store House, without waiting to water the Ship — which you will do very quickly in Bengo Bay.

You will proceed to that anchorage immediately after your Stores are in, and sail thence on your cruise the moment your water can be filled, without regard to the 22d of the Month.

Upon your arrival at Loanda on the 8th inst. . . her, as ordered, you will adapt the same prompt means to make good your provisions and Stores for four months, and, as before, quickly proceed to Bengo Bay, where you will fill up your Ship's water, and remain the Flag Ship at that anchorage. Which, on your way into Loanda, you will watch for Signal —

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. B. M. African Squadron

Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg H. B. Sloop "Portsmouth"
Loanda

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
December 4th 1860.

Sir.

After the next arrival of the "Mystic", you will be pleased to transfer the Broomen's Ordnance Stores, the mails and dispatches I have sent by you for her, and then proceed as follows.

You will be pleased to take on board the "Portsmouth" provisions, to make good for four Months, as well as other usual Supplies; Watering done, you will proceed to Cruise.

You will return here by the 1st. January 1861, immediately make good that amount of those Supplies, in readiness to sail by, but not before, the 9th of January; When you will proceed to Sea, Where you will open and act upon the Sealed orders sent to you herewith.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Van Rensselaer
Flag Officer's Secretary.

U. S. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
December 7th 1860

Sir

Being at Sea with the "Portsmouth," under your Command, you will proceed to Little Fish Bay, where you may remain twenty four hours - but no more.

You will then proceed to St. Helena, where you will be pleased to visit the Authorities, and if there be no Quarantine against you will at once Commence to land your Shore "liberty," taking suitable precautions to prevent your men from violating the Laws and Rules of the town and port.

This indulgence may be repeated at your discretion, but the "Portsmouth" must positively leave the Island with Water filled upon the fourteenth day after her arrival there.

You will then proceed direct to Cabenda, on this Coast, and touch into that anchorage daily, until you meet the Flag Ship, or receive further orders.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth"
Loanda

True Copy. Wm Inman Flag
Flag Officers Secretary.

H. M. Ships Implacable
at Port Royal Dock Yard
December 1st 1862.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have received Orders from Rear Admiral Sir Alexander Milne K.C.B. Commander in Chief of Her Majesty's Ships & Vessels at Plymouth, to proceed in Company with Her Majesty's Ship "Hyacinth" as Escort to Her Majesty's Mail Steamer "Trent" bound to Saint Thomas & Saint Croix.

I therefore request you will direct the Purser of this Ship to Victual Commander J. M. Moore of Her Majesty's Ship "Forte" and his Officers to the 4th inst. inclusive.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Alex. G. Bosanquet
Commander
and Captain of H.M.S. "Forte"
Senior Officer

To
The Secretary
of the Admiralty
London

True Copy
W. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. "Flag Ship Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
December 7th 1860.

Sir.

Being at sea with the "San Jacinto", under your Command, you will proceed direct to Little Fish Bay, where you will anchor, Communicate with the Shore, and remain twenty four hours only.

You will then sail for the Island of St. Helena, where you will probably find the Flag Ship. If She has been there and departed, orders will be left for you.

Upon your arrival, You will be pleased to visit the Authorities, and, if there be no Cause to prevent, You will land your crew to have "Liberty", taking suitable precautions to prevent violation of the Laws and rules of the Town and Port.

This indulgence may be repeated, at your discretion, but the "San Jacinto" will leave the Island with Water filled on the fourteenth day after her arrival.

In the absence of other orders, You will then return directly, to Loanda, fill Coal and Water and take provisions &c, to make good for four months, as soon as practicable.

If you do not find orders at Loanda, You will then proceed to Cruise until the 1st of March, when you will Look into Cabenda, for the Flag Ship, or orders, daily

—/ &c

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

Copied

U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Off Cape Frio
Brazil
December 31st 1860

Sir,

I have the honor to report my arrival off this Cape, at 4 P.M. this day, from St. Paul de Loanda, and to enclose herewith my Monthly Abstract of Provisions received on board, and Expended during the month of December 1860.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"

Flag Officer
William Mervine
Comdg U. S. Naval Forces
on the Brazil Station

H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
December 4th 1860

Sir.

You will be pleased to make good the provisions and Stores of the "Sans Souci" for four Months - fill Coal and Water, and, when ready, proceed to Cruise until the 28th of December instant: at which time you will arrive here again, and receive the remaining supplies in readiness to sail immediately upon the arrival of the "Mystic" with the Mail.

You will receive that for the Flag Ship and proceed at once to Sea, where you will open and act upon the Sealed orders sent to you, herewith.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. M. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas H. Dornin
Comdg H. M. Steamer "San Lucinto."
- Loanda.

True Copy
W. Barden Hazard
Flag Officer's Secretary

Before your departure you will be pleased to procure all Mails or dispatches that may be left for me, with the Store Keeper, or elsewhere in Loanda.

76
6

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
December 10th 1860

Gentleman:

Enclosed is a Copy of a report of the Chief Engineer of the U. S. Steamer "Mohican" on the Dilapidation of the Main Deck.

You will proceed forthwith to examine, and report in writing, the extent and Cause of that Dilapidation, and the State, that, in your opinion, is the best means of Checking it.

If the Flag Ship is absent when your Report is prepared, you will send a Copy thereof to the Chief Engineer of the "Mohican" under Cover addressed to Commander S. W. Godon of that Vessel.

You will enclose your Report to the Flag Officer under Cover, addressed to Captain Thomas A. Dornin, of the U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

I am, Very Respectfully
Your Ob't Servt
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Chief Engineer John Faron
1st Asst do W. C. Wheeler
2d Asst do M. Kellogg
U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

True copy. H. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship "Constitution"
at Valle de Bravo
November 5th 1860.

Sir.

The "Mohican" will not take a return mail to Fernando Po on this occasion. You will please not let this be known. The "Hartford" will depart with the mails at an early day.

About the middle of the month of December, the "Mohican" will arrive at, and remain a fortnight in a port, which will afford an opportunity to overhaul her engines. In the mean time it is desireable that she should cruise as much as possible.

You will, therefore, use all diligence in filling up Coal, provisions &c, and be ready to day when the "Mohican" can perfectly safely to cruise until the 1st of December, when she will return here & fill up again in readiness to sail about the 6th of December for the port above alluded to. She will arrive there about the 12th to 14th and during that fortnight her crew can be granted liberty on shore. This information being subject to the contingencies of the service, you will be pleased not to impart it to others.

The object for your knowing it, thus in advance, is that you may be prepared with a sufficiency of funds to meet that demand, and those incident to it.

The "San Jacinto" will be due here with the

Commander
J. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican."

U. S. Flag Ship "Constitution"
Valle de Bravo
November 5th 1860

Commander
J. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Fernando Po

the mail in the first days of December.
The funds from this Station can thus be
furnished by Paymaster Brown of that
vessel.

I have no Coal bags and Oil in
store to issue. It is furnished upon requisition
from this Ship, I beg leave to submit such as
may be necessary, as the Flag Ship is
ready for sea. I am Very respy, Your Obt. Sv
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

True Copy D. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

48
C

U. S. Flag Ship "Wyandotte"
Off Cape Negostas,
November 5th 1860.

Sir.

This and several other Communications
and the Mails for the "Bonican" will be
furnished by you by Lieut. Comdg W. Ives Roy,
of the "Mystic," to whom you will be pleased
promptly to transfer the Mails for the Flag Ship,
and your reports.

The "Mystic" will not await your arrival
for those objects later than the 15th inst. After
which you will land the Mails for the
Squadron, in charge of the Naval Store Keeper
at Loanda, receiving from him your own,
and the Communications named above.

After leaving Loanda, or Benguela Bay, as
per instructions in your sealed Orders, you will proceed
direct to Little Fish Bay, where you will
anchor and communicate with the Store,
but on the same day you will sail for the
Port named in your sealed orders.

You will not let your destination be known,
Whenever you may depart from any port.

You will take the first occasion of meeting
the "San Jacinto" to provide funds for the purpose
named in my letter of the 2nd instant.

I am, Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
T. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mystic"

True Copy
D. Vanden Heuvel

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
December 8th 1864

Sir.

I have received your letter of this date, stating that the three Officers, whom you have appointed, to take an inventory of the public property in the Paymaster's Department on board the "Mohican" will probably commence it this day. You request me to appoint some one to act as Paymaster, in order that the accounts of Paymaster Abbot may be closed - and you inform me that Dr. Ihs is unwilling to continue to perform the duties of Paymaster, as he has done, since the departure of Paymaster Abbot, and that this State of things does place your Command in a false position, from which you beg to be relieved.

To which I reply - that I am without authority to appoint any person to act as Purser, or Paymaster, unless by inference of precedents in the Squadron, to appoint the Commander so to act.

I have written so urgently to the Department, on this subject, so long ago, as to lead me to expect a Paymaster for the "Mohican" by the next Mail Steamer. In the mean time I will advise Paymaster Abbot of this condition of his accounts on board the "Mohican," the transfer of which must remain in abeyance until his successor may arrive.

Yours very truly, Your Obt. Svt.
Signed, Wm Norman

Commander
S. W. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer Mohican

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

H.M.S. "Flag Ship" Constitution
At Anchor in Loanda
December 5th 1860.

Sir.

I have received your letter of this date, enclosing a report from Chief Engineer Shock, on the Marine of the Engines, Tube Linings, &c. &c., on board of the "Mohican"; and requesting that an opportunity be allowed, in some safe harbor, to fit the new Space brasses that are now on board. You also renew the request for a Survey upon the boilers of the "Mohican".

If the "San Jacinto" shall arrive in time, this examination will be ordered.

You will be pleased to inform me, as soon as possible, as follows. Viz.-

How long will the temporary lining, &c. &c. being applied, probably answer a good purpose?-

Can the "New Space brasses", mentioned above, be fitted to their places without lightening the Vessel?

How long will it probably take to fit them & their place in this harbor?- Which is the quietest on the Station.

I have received the Copy of the Communication, made to you, dated 3rd instant, by the U. S. Commercial Agent at Loanda on the subject of Health.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Lieut.
Comdg H. M. African Squadron

Commander
J. W. Godon,
Comdg H. S. Steamer Mohican
Loanda

True Copy. A Vanden Heuvel

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paule de Loanda
December 6th 1860

Sir.

I have received your letter of this date, with replies to my queries as to refitting the screw shaft boxes of the "Mohican."

You state, that if it meet my views, Little Fish Bay would be preferable, as a quiet harbor in which to do the work, for certain reasons, such as healthiness for the crew, better fresh provisions, opportunity for gun practice &c. &c.

To those latter objects Little Fish Bay would probably be preferable; but, during my stay there, considerable swell occurred during several days, as the wind blew [illegible] into the port from sea, thus, a doubt may exist of the quietness necessary for the purpose, as to the propeller. I do not think that any mechanical work, whatever, in metals can be performed there.

I wish to send the "Mohican," via Little Fish Bay, to an Island port, perfectly, rather unquiet as such, where her crew can have "liberty" on shore. I compute the time necessary for her to be under medium force of steam, for that object, via Little Fish Bay, to be about nineteen days.

You will be pleased to ascertain and inform me, if the Chief Engineer can rely upon the propeller for this length of time, with the addition now being made to it. If yes, your orders will leave it to you to judge, after [illegible]

[illegible]

Lt. S. W. Godon
U. S. Steamer "Mohican"

port, with a little Fish Bay, whether that port is certainly sufficiently quiet and suitable for the purpose of fitting in place the new brasses for the propeller journals of the "Mohican" - if so, then letters will be authorised, with the understanding that the work, if undertaken there, must be finished there, without risk of additional detention. In the other event, the "Mohican" will return from the Island direct to Loanda, where no doubt exists of the quietness, indispensable to the purpose.

You will be pleased to provide provisions and stores, to make good for twenty five (25) days, instead of fifty (50) as ordered this morning.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. B. M. African Squadron

True copy
Standen Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

H. B. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda,
December 5th 1860

Sir

Being at sea, in pursuance of other orders, you will proceed direct to Little Fish Bay, where you will anchor, and remain twenty four (24) hours only.

During your stay, you will observe and examine as to the sufficient quietness of that port, necessary to fitting in place the new brasses for the propeller of the "Mohican". At the termination of that 24 hours, you will proceed to the Island of St Helena.

Upon your arrival you will be pleased to visit the authorities, and if there be no cause to prevent, you will give liberty on shore, to the crew of the "Mohican," taking such precautions as to prevent violation of the laws and usages of the port and town.

This indulgence may be repeated at your discretion, and the "Mohican" will leave the Island on the fourteenth (14) day after her arrival there.

You will then proceed to Loanda, as a safe and suitable harbor, where you will lose no time in effecting the fitting of the new spare brasses, of the screw bearings and journals of the "Mohican", as reported necessary by Chief Engineer Shock, under date 4th December 1860.

If, after your visit, above named, to Little Fish Bay, you feel satisfied that such harbor is certainly sufficiently quiet and suitable for the proper performance

Commander
I. W. Gordon
Comdg H. B. M. Steamer "Mohican"

performance, (without loss of time) of that
the chaniem work to the propeller, you are
authorized to return from St. Helena to this
Port Bay for that purpose.

As soon as the new brasses are fitted, you
will return to Loanda, where you will fill up
Coal and all other Supplies, as soon as practicable.

The "Mohican" will then proceed to Sea, and
so time her movements as she may, with Coal
filled up, to receive the mail due at Fernando
Po on the 28th of February 1861. Which being done
you will proceed thence to Cabenda, where
you will await the Flag Ship, or further orders.

On the Way, you will be pleased, to have the
mails for the different Vessels separated.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. B. M. African Squadron

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

H. B. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
December 11th 1860.

Sir.

I have received your letter of this
date, reporting that the "Mohican" will be
ready for Sea by 4. O'Clock to morrow afternoon;
except in the Paymaster's Department.

The "San Jacinto" is now here, and my
order of the 15th of August 1860, to Paymaster
Brown, of that Vessel, provides, so far as I am
authorised to do, to meet the Continued
Want of a Paymaster on board the "Mohican."

As soon as She is, in all respects, ready,
You will proceed to Sea, and, when there,
to open and execute the Sealed orders
sent to you herewith.

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. B. M. African Squadron

Commander
J. W. Gordon
Comdg H. B. M. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

African Squadron.
Special Orders.
H. M. Steamer "Medusa."
Off Montserrado
1861.

1114
6

H.M. Mail Packet "Tartar"
Off Cape Lagostas
November 5th 1854

Sir

I have received your letter of this day with the Inclosure from Lieut. Spaulding, upon the impressment of the Agent's horses at Loanda, & I am sorry that I cannot be of any assistance to you.

I am directed by the Commodore to inform you that as he is about to proceed to the Northward, the mails for the "Tartar" will not be required at Loanda, & you will therefore not have any occasion to send to the Cape Lagostas and the buoy on the Point so that you may entirely free with the Portuguese Authorities at all times.

The "Tartar" has been out 8 weeks on the 8. days and as the Packages received from Walvis Bay, she will be in position for 9 days after the 15th instant. It is impossible that any Packets can be sent to Walvis Bay before the 15th, for the Packet-Boat from Loanda will not be back in time with the mails to be dispatched on the 15th instant. I take a good look for the "Tartar" upon the 15th instant. Any Packets or letters you may have to forward will always be forwarded by the first opportunity that offers.

I am, Sir, your obedient
Humble Servt.
(Signed) Jno. Pearse
Lieut. & Commander of H.M. Steam Vessel "Tartar"

Lieut. Spaulding
&c. &c. &c.
H.M. Steam Vessel "Tartar"
Loanda

1169
0

[illegible]
Letter [illegible]
November 22nd 1860

Sir

You will be pleased to forward to
the writer the Constitution under which
[illegible]

You will make the necessary
way of the Council of the Corporation for
the purpose of obtaining the seal of
the Office and receipt the necessary

After being advised the Council
with the Authorities will be made
as to the steps to be taken to
obtain the Charter which will be
[illegible]

You will be pleased to [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Port de Loanda,
November 1st 1860.

Order for Steamers.

The Order for rotation of the Mail Service, by the Steamers of the Squadron, will be continued as follows- Viz-

"Mystic"	at Fernando Po	28th of April 1861.
"Kumplet"	do	28 " " May "
"Mohican"	do	28 " " June "
"San Jacinto"	do	28 " " July "
"Mystic"	do	28 " " August "

The Steamers with the above Mails, on their Way to Loanda, will Call at the Anchorage at Cabenda for orders; where they will await Eight hours, in the day time.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commander-in-Chief
U. S. African Squadron.

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

Provisional Order
for
Steamers
of
U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
at
Port de Loanda
Nov 1st 1860

121
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
November 1st 1862.

- Order -

The Steamers of the African Squadron
when next in turn to receive the mail
at Funchal Md, will do so as soon as
prepared, in all respects, & cause that
Island immediately after the receipt
of the mail, upon its arrival from the sea.

The Steamers will then convey such
mail, wherever ordered, as soon as
possible, with Medium force of Steam.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Sent above to the Commander
of the "San Jacinto"
"Mohican"
"Sumpter"
and "Mystic"

True Copy: A. Tindal Hancock
Flag Officer's Secretary.

No. 1. Flag Officer's Confidential
Letter of Instructions
December 1st 1862

Order.

The Cruising Ground of the African Squadron, extends from the 18th Parallel of North Latitude to the Coast of Africa, and from the Coast to the 30th Degree of West Longitude.

No Vessel will leave the Cruising Ground, without permission.

Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Commanding in Chief.
U.S. African Squadron.

True Copy: Wm. Inman
Flag Officer's Secretary

African Squadron
Monthly Returns
Sept. Landmisson
1860.

c/o 130

Report and
Invitation of
Helena.

Ack
Feby 21 61

c/o 131.

Feb 15 Hogg

1211

125
0

0

197

St Helena Sunday
March 31. 1816.

Dear

I received by yesterday's
post a communication from the Secretary
of Admiralty inclosing a copy of a
Report made by Surgeons of
Hospitals, on the Diseases
of the Troops of this Island.
The Report of the
Board is first what I was
anticipated by Dr Shortt,
that Sickness - indeed a
Typhus - Malignancy seems to be
established and a rapid
decomposition is going on
in the Bodies - The idea
prevails among the English
Residents, that the Congo
Waters are answerable for
Bodies out here and those of
English Pleasures have gone
home for new ones after as
very short Trials - but I
think we must look now
further than to the Unwholesomeness
Genl Sir Hudson

by)

U.S. Steam Sloop Canandaigua
Port de Banda, W. C. Africa.
Dec 21st, 1860.

Sir,

In obedience to your orders, I proceed to examine the exact cause of the Oxydation in the Boilers of the "Canandaigua" and to state, what in our opinion is the best means of checking it, We respectfully submit the following:

That we have carefully examined the Boilers specified, and, found the iron at, and below the surface of the water previously the crown and upper tube sheets, Oxydized to a considerable extent in a pitted or honey combed form, and in many places where the Oxydation is going on, deposits of a greenish hue are clearly observable.

From best trials of the most delicate description, we are of the opinion that these defects are caused by the presence of "Salts of Copper", and that this copper is carried there from the Condenser tubes, they, becoming Oxydized, by the presence of the Oil, and Salts, which were found in large quantities in the Feed water.

Upon a thorough test of the Feed water, after these substances had

Sir
Very respectfully
Your obedient
Wm Gibbons
Commander

To
Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg U.S. African Squadron.

had been so injected, no traces of copper was found; but balls, composed of a fatty substance, and crude oil from, found in the air pumps well, contained a large amount of copper.

I do recommend therefore, as there is no means of checking it permanently, that no condensed water be fed to the boilers, for the space of half an hour after getting underway, and that the quantity of oil applied to the valves, be reduced to a minimum, and the supply be entirely shut off, if it can be done without injury to the Engines, one watch before coming to Anchor.

When not under steam, the Boilers to be kept perfectly dry, and when underway a light blow to be kept up from the surface of the water.

Scraping the surfaces perfectly clean, and applying red lead will have a tendency to delay it.

We are respectfully Your Obdt. Servts.

(Signed) John Faron, Chf. Engr. U.S.
Wm. L. Wheeler, 1st Asst. Engr. U.S.
Mortimer Kellogg 1st Asst. Engr. U.S.

Thomas J. Shock,
Chief Engineer
U.S.S.S. "Mahaiwe"

E 131

Feb 21, 61

Boiler

Feb 15 1890

Head Quarters Quartermaster
Dept. of Gulf, New Orleans,
February 18th 1864

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith the monthly Muster Rolls, of Troops Quartered at this Post, for the month of August 1864. I have not received Muster Rolls of the 15th of October, and 1st of November 1864. The absence of Muster Rolls from the Post of Ship Island, from 1st Sept. to 1st Dec. inclusive.

The two other Rolls, viz: those of the Detachment of 1st Mississippi, from 1st Oct. to 1st Dec. inclusive, and of Co. D 110.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Ob. Servt.

[signature]
Brig. Genl.
Commdg. Dist. of Key West &c. &c. &c.

To:
Brig. Genl.
Lorenzo Thomas
Adjutant Gen. U.S. Army
Washington
D.C.

Ent'd
J. Mch 18

File

131
6

Acting Lieutenant, subject to Confirmation by
Department Commander, Theodore S. Ma
Temporarily Serving on the "Agawam", Sir
I have the Consolidations,

I have the honor, to acknowledge the
receipt of the letter of the Department, No
1 & 2 - 14th of November 1864. The letter in
reply to the communication of Orders, to Lieutenan
A. Mountague to take passage in the Steam
ship the Potomac alter, directs the trial o
Court Martial, of Lieutenant H. A. Crane
late of the Steamer "Antonita". Lieut: Mon
attached to the Monitor "Agawam", on the 4th
Inst: of which the Department was duly a
vised, by my letter No 116, dated October 5th 1864.

I am, Sir,
Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Jno Smart

Lieut Jno A. Admiral Jno A. Dahlgren

135

Navy Department
Bureau of Yards & Docks
February 5th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo, inclosing the letter of the 23d ultimo from Lieutenant Commanding S. H. Dodge, together with the papers relative to Commander C. H. Davis, ordered to the Receiving Ship at Boston, for duty.

I have also received, from Lieutenant Dodge the 16th ultimo, enclosing a copy of the papers, submitted by the Chief Engineer, respecting the Brig "Fancy," as ordered from Havana October 9th 1860, to the Pensacola and Rio Grande.

The "Fancy" had already, without any additional Repairs, been fitted for the service.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

W. Yman
Chief Officer
Bureau of Yards & Docks

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

1- April 23 - (illegible)

No. 4

155

150. U.S. Steam Sloop Iroquois
at St. Paul de Loanda,
January 7th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, of the 1st of December 1860, in Compliance with which, I shall never the less order, directing Lieutenant Brown of the Steamer "Sumpter," to perform the additional duties, of Paymaster of the "Iroquois."

As instructed, by the order of the Department, of the 10th of November 1860, above mentioned, I have ordered "Commander Godon, to act as Captain of the "Iroquois"

Upon receipt of that order, Commander Godon, addressed Me, two letters, Copies of which are enclosed.

I have,
Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

J. M. Mull
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

2- April 27- 1861.

Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

f. 10 Of 3

A Apr 27

136

5

15"

Washington Navy Yard
Feb. 25th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith, a Requisition from Commander S. D. Trenchard, of Steamer "Mohican," in accordance to the order of the Department, dated 16th inst. requesting him, "dismissing from the service," of the "Mohican."

The Officers dismissed, were appointed, or the Appointments, either from political considerations, of the Secretary of the Interior, and in addition consequence, of the reasons stated in the letter of Commander Trenchard, by which it will be seen, that he will be unable, with safety to the vessel, to remain, with such persons, on board, or be responsible for the efficiency of the Vessel, under his Command, as for the safety of the vessel.

Thus the important duties of Paymaster, as for shipping Officers and Men, particularly the finances due the latter, for Shipped stations, are at a stand.

I need not speak of the inconvenience, this position, to both Officers and Men, the dissatisfaction of the Officers, and great loss to the Government, pecuniarily, to this circumstance, rather than would be in any degree, to the appointments of their Country. But the Department will appreciate, the possible effect, of dissatisfaction on the part of the Crew, in consequence of an Officer not commanding.

Hon.
Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy

137
6

(2) [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you, that on the 5th instant, I received from Virginia Warrants on credit in accordance with your letter of the 30th ultimo, directing me to act as "Purser" of the "Vincennes". Such an order I consider as illegal, nor can I consent to perform these duties.

"Unwilling to throw any obstacle in the way of the Wisdom & usefulness in the appointments, particularly at a moment when her services are required as an active cruizer, from the respectable circumstance of her recently having been recommissioned, under the protection of every circumstance of publicity, to receive (Seven) thousand dollars of public funds, to be disbursed in the payment of the Ship's requisitions, this sum should be, faithfully accounted for, But,

(2)

I beg to inform you that
application to Paymaster can
be entertained for some person
appointed Acting Paymaster
of the Enchiridion. I respectfully
request to be relieved from the
Command of the

Our ten months ship
Command has been placed
in a false position, being
often unable to procure funds,
in consequence of no suitable
person being authorized to
act as Paymaster. There
are two persons here who are
both competent and willing,
provided the appointment
be given in such form as
could be sent home, with the
usual credentials, to the legal
disbursing officer, Mr.
Saunders, Capt. Blackwood, Mr.
Henry Swasey Clerk. These
persons would actually per-
form the duties on detail
if even the Commanding Officer
took the responsibilities of
the pecuniary losses, which

I

assure you that the above named
person is desired & would
accept from a proper motive
in offering, by saving additional
Commission, having also in the
Service a Warrant, the pro-
priety of their appointment
to be.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
W Gedney
Commander.

Hon. Isaac Toucey,
Secty. of the Navy.

Wm. Inman

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

1890

No. 138

U.S. Flagship Galena
Off Port au Prince Hayti
February 12th 1891.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department, that Lieut. Commander Richman Walter R. Bull is joining the "Constellation."

In consequence of representations made to me, of the precarious state of health of one of the Lieutenants of the U.S. Steamer "Boston," necessitating frequent intervals of release from the present Hard Duty, which devolves upon the Lieutenant and the Master, I have ordered Lieutenant Francis M. Ramsay, from the Sloop "Saratoga," to relieve him in the "Boston."

I respectfully request that the Department will be pleased to order Lieutenant to the "Saratoga" to relieve Lieut. Ramsay, who would not have been detached from that vessel, if other had brought out Lieutenant Armstrong, as ordered, and if Francis had been

Hon. Isaac Towey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington D.C.

is issued by the Department.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

John Lyman

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

N° 13.

N. S. "Lady Alice" Wrecked Station
N. Shore Long Island
February 12th 1861.

[illegible]

[illegible] Lady Alice" [illegible]
[illegible] Feb 12th 1861, [illegible]
[illegible] Lady Alice" [illegible]
[illegible] Feb 12th 1861.

From the U.S. Steamer "Lady Alice"

Lieutenant Commanding Wm. Conner, Dated 16th 1861,
Transmitting the Log of the U.S. Steamer "Lady Alice"
while employed in the Blockading Squadron off Charleston
Harbor from the 12th to the 16th inst.

From the U.S. Steamer "Lady Alice"

Lieutenant Commanding Wm. Conner, Dated 16th 1861,
Reporting the Capture of the Schooner "Emily Parker"
by the U.S. Steamer "Lady Alice" while on the
Blockading Station off Charleston Harbor

[illegible] Lieutenants [illegible]
[illegible] Midshipmen [illegible] Scarcity of [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] No 134, dated February 1st [illegible]
I had the honor to inform the Department
of the distribution of Lieutenants Owen
and Beaudelee, and Midshipman Argu[illegible]
all of whom arrived out in the Sloop
"Saratoga," with orders for general service
on this Squadron.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

John Lorman

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

No 140

1411

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
off Port Royal Harbor
February 13th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to report the general health of the Squadron under my command to be good.

The Flag Ship will sail to day and the "Mohican" to morrow — the whole Squadron will then be cruising except the Steamer "Pompeii", which will also leave this port, after a few days, during which her supplies will be completed on board.

I am

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval Forces on the
Atlantic Coast

To
Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

No 140

Rec'd Apl 2 1861

Encl No 3

Apr 27 1833

Duplicate. 142

Santa Isabel de Fernando Fo, 27th Feby 1833

Commander

I have the Honour to inform you of the receipt of your letter of the 23d inst. I observe your reasons for the Conversation alluded to being considered confidential only, because not having received instructions from my Government on that subject, that Conversation cannot have the same significance as it would have in the other event

I repeat to you that the Government of the Queen has declared, that it will not permit the establishment of a Town in Fernando Po, and that it is decided never to consent to it in this position.

I know that the intentions of our Government are those of Contributing by every legal means within its reach to the Civilization of the people of this Continent and that it will contribute with pleasure, to improve at all times that of man, the Condition of the unfortunate, who may be freed from Slavery in consequence of the protection given to them by the vessels of War of the nations. With this understanding I believe that my Government will receive on this Island, to apprentices a limited number of those captured by the Cruizers of the United States, to whom it will insure Clothing Maintenance, education and the advantages which will be considered equitable after a certain number of years, proportioning to the years

and conditions which will be thought convenient
and expedient.

I am at liberty to communicate this paper to
Commodore Porter whom, I beg you'll
may depend on, as I will also make known to
and receive his, my Answer to the Government of

I avail myself of this occasion to renew to you
sentiments with which I am Sir, Your H. L. S. &c.

Signed, Jose de la Gandara

True copy
Wm. Ten Broeck
Flag Officer's Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Pauls de Loando, March 15th 18

Sir,

The above is respectfully a Communication
from Commodore W. B. Godon, of the U. S. Steamer
"Monocacy", cried upon the West Coast; this
which I respectfully submitted.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Wm. Ten Broeck

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington.
&c.

Flag Officer
Cmdg U. S. African Squadron

Duplicate.

143
6

U. S. Steamer
Monocacy
St Paul de Loando March 15th
1865.

Referring to a Conversation I had the honor to hold with you not long since, in relation to Americans on this Coast, I have the honor to state, that the Spanish Government had decreed that no Slaves could be sent from the Island of St Paul de Loando &c. - but it was not unlikely that the Spanish Government might be willing to receive at Fernando a certain number of those unfortunates taken by our Cruisers, and that if landed here, they might be received by an Agent appointed by the American Government and taken care of for a certain time by your Government provided for, Clothed and educated, and if circumstances wanted them, equal to those they now have, or are to Monrovia, to become productive laborers

Would you be so kind as to inform me if you are willing and authorize me to send them to Flag Officer Semmes.

For the sake of humanity, and to save those poor unfortunates the long voyage to Monrovia for the shorter one to Fernando Po, provided the circumstances related above are equally pleasing to you, I am sure we might willingly be looked into by the Governments interested.

I beg you will excuse my

No 141. Commander's Communication
Off Galveston Harbor May 4th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have made the Department a hasty visit to the Mississippi River, and the Squadron under my Command.

Those Vessels, are now in my presence, and the Reports of their Commanders, and my own observations, make it imperative upon me, again to invite the attention of the Department, to the fact of their becoming unmanageable for the performance of Service, on the Station.

If it is intended, that they shall remain in the United States, I respectfully suggest, that immediate orders, to that effect be sent out, so that they may have, the favorable necessary, advantage of the mildest season of the year, in which, to Cross the Atlantic.

It will be most unsafe, for them to attempt to do so, at any other season

- of

the year.

I have, &c.

Isaac Mayo
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

No 141 - May 21 - C

or at all, after the approaching Sun
shall have passed away.

Sir,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

1862.

U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
off Natuna, Borneo
March 5th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to report, that the vessels under the Squadron is good.

The vessels have been employed during the last three months, between Singapore and Hong Kong, and Shanghai, this time being the worst of the Monsoon, and its severest; where the Slave trade is supposed to be most active.

The "Potomac" has passed up & down the Borneo Coast, since she brought the mail, last heard.

On the 25th ult., Commander Upton, in the Sloop "Decatur", captured the American Schooner "Express", of Sunbury, Pa, intending to engage in the exportation of Slaves. The Vessel Steamer, will accompany the Squadron in the Straits.

I am, Sir, Dated 19th February last. I had the honor to inform the Department, that I had ordered the transfer of Lieutenant Francis H. Murray, from the "Decatur" to the "Potomac".

Hon:
Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

"Saratoga" & the Steamer "Mohican", for
Instructions set forth. The "Saratoga" is
to be, and the order, was to take effect
upon her leaving port by the "Mohican".

During the interval, a Vacancy has
occurred, of Five Lieutenants, both in the
"Mohican" and the "Saratoga"; therefore, the
Transfer of Lieutenant Ramsay, has been
countermanded.

I, respectfully, request, that one
Lieutenant, of those in the "Mohican", as
well as one of those in the "Saratoga", may be ordered,
first, to the earliest possible opportunity.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

John Rowan

Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

No. 143.

Mr. Hay to Mr. Cameron.

Department of State, June 5, 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith, for your information, a copy of the letter of the 1st instant from Messrs. Corwin, Reid & Corwin, claiming indemnity for the seizure and detention of the bark Kate Heyman.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

John Hay

Assistant Secretary.

Hon. Thomas Corwin,
&c. &c. &c.

Inclosure in No. 143.

Messrs. Corwin, Reid & Corwin to Mr. Hay.

Washington, June 1, 1861.

Sir:

We have the honor to inform you that we have been employed by Messrs. Heyman & Co., of Cincinnati, to collect indemnity for the seizure and detention of the bark Kate Heyman, by the United States steamer Pawnee, at Aspinwall, on the 19th of April last.

The bark was chartered by the United States Government, and was engaged in the transportation of troops and munitions of war from Aspinwall to Panama, when she was seized by the Pawnee, and detained for about two days.

We have been informed that the vessel was released by the order of Commodore Mervine, and that the reason assigned for the seizure was that the vessel was engaged in the transportation of troops and munitions of war for the United States Government.

We have been instructed by our clients to demand indemnity for the seizure and detention of the vessel, and for the damages sustained by her owners in consequence thereof.

We have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servants,

Corwin, Reid & Corwin.

Hon. John Hay,
Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

file

1 – May 29 – Hon

U.S. Flagship Constellation
off Gaeta, Africa
March 6th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor, to state, to the Department, that I last addressed, that Consul, at Loanda, informed me, that he had received information, that the Barque Ardent, was loading at that place, with Slaves, and was supposed, about the 1st of April, to proceed from the South coast, to Brazil.

The Sloop Saratoga, has been attached to the Squadron, and the Juniata, is now on the South coast, after my departure.

Within the last month, I have received, from the Portuguese Consul, and the British Consul, both in Office at the Cape de Verds, information of four American Vessels, having taken Slaves there, which vessels, not only intended to engage in the Slave trade, but were actually attempted to be cleared or done it.

I shall, therefore, sail in the

Hon.

Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

…ays, that I have been two weeks home, for …
…ble in that, leaving the business of the …
…the north coast, in the charge of Captain …
…Lewis D. Simms, of the U.S. Steamer Dolphin, at the Bahamas, Senior Officer present myself from …
…station.

Soon after my arrival at Porto Praia, …
…ived a letter from my predecessor, informing me that …
…ndered home with this Ship, which …
…ave been her Commission, two years, on …
13th of last June.

Two years, has always been the limit …
…for this Squadron, and I feel it my duty …
…say, that my health, is yielding to the …
…influence of the Climate, and the effect …
…of the exertions I have made, to make …
…Squadron Active and useful.

It is but right to say, that since …
…assumed the Command, a Check upon …
…the Slave trade, by capture of Slavers, and …
…liberated Slaves, has been given by this …
…Squadron, greater in number and effect …
…than by the whole of the Squadrons Combined …
…that have preceded me. No less than …
…fourteen Vessels, and two thousand six …
…hundred and ninety three (2793) Slaves …
…(the latter landed at Monrovia) have …
…been seized, and sent to the United States …
…Therefore, feel justified in making …

…full request, that I may be relieved, on the …
…return home of my Ship, now …
…out immediately, after receipt of this …
…Letter, at the Admiralty.

The Ship and Officers of the Squadron …
…present, will receive a Gratuity of two months …
…Victual Money, by the Act 5 Geo. 4th Cap. 75 …
…month, dated 5th September, England, …
…Mail Steamer for St Vincent Cape de Verds …

Should the public service, still demand …
…this Ship being ordered to Philadelphia, …
…Pennsylvania, and I shall be gratified …
…be so ordered.

I am,
Sir,
Your respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

John Inman

Flag Officer,
Senior Officer American Squadron.

Despatch

1469

144

No. 1 Flag Ship Constitution
off Gibraltar Office Augt 5th 1861

Sir

I have the honor to inform the Department that I had learned, that American vessels intending to engage in the slave trade, hoisted the Cuban and Spanish flags, about the 1st of April ult, & proceed from the South Coast of Cuba.

The Sloop Saratoga, was ordered to the Squadron, this, their business, will remain on the South Coast cruising

Within the last month I have received from the Portuguese Governor General, and the British Consul, both late in office at the Cape de Verds, information of some American Vessels, having lately been there, which Vessels, not only, evidently intended, to engage in the slave trade, but scarcely attempted, to conceal or deny it.

I shall, therefore, sail in the Constitution about three weeks hence, for the Cape, leaving the business of the Vessels, on the South Coast in the charge of Captain Thomas T. Craven

I am

Very

Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Secretary of the Navy

Washington D.C.

[illegible] Squadron the "Lancaster", Senior Officer
[illegible] yesterday for this Station.

I have also ordered all Store Ships [illegible]
[illegible] Relief or Instructions to
[illegible] Commodore Hull Philadelphia, Norfolk Hampton
[illegible] Subscription Roads, on the 13th
[illegible] Inst.

I am, with great regard Sir your
[illegible] Servant

[illegible] Secretary of the Navy
[illegible] Washington City

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I arrived at Porto Praia on the 6th Inst. in the Ship Vincennes, and found the Squadron under the command of Commodore Read, in the Harbour.

On the 7th Inst. I assumed the command, & hoisted my Pennant on board the Ship Jamestown, Capt. Hull, the Senior Officer present, & the Squadron was visited by Commodore Read, Capt. Hull, & Commander Pope, the Commanders of the Ships of War, & Commander Bell, the Commander of the Store Ship Relief.

On the 8th Inst. I received from Commodore Read, the Letter of which the enclosed is a Copy, & the Original Letter, addressed to me, was delivered to Capt. Hull, for me, on the 9th Inst. by Commodore Read, who left the Harbour on the same day, for Monrovia, in the Steamer Mississippi, to bring home the Governor of Liberia, & the Agent of the United States, who had been residing there.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Servant
John Pope
Flag Officer
Commanding the African Squadron

The Honorable
Isaac Toucey
Secretary of the Navy
Washington City

Sir, I have the honor to inform you, that I received your letter of the 9th Inst. by the Steamer Mississippi, & immediately on the receipt of it, I proceeded to the Coast of Liberia, & anchored in the Roads of Monrovia, on the 11th Inst. at 10 A.M. when I was saluted by the Fort, with 21 guns, which I returned gun for gun.

I immediately sent on board the Mississippi, Capt. Hull, the Senior Officer present, & the Commanders of the United States Ships Vincennes, Jamestown, & Relief, & the Commander of the Store Ship Relief, & the Commander of the Steamer Mississippi, to wait upon the Governor of Liberia, by the name of Roberts, & the Agent of the United States, Doctor Hall, & invite them to come on board the Mississippi, to see me.

On their arrival, I received them with the usual honors, & the Governor of Liberia, & the Agent of the United States, being introduced to me, I had the honor to present to them the Officers of the Squadron, who were present, & to be presented to the Native Chiefs.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient
Servant
John Pope
Flag Officer
Commanding the African Squadron

Duplicate

1516

No 145 Bk. C. Reg. "Ltrs Commanders"
Page 151.

Sir,

I have informed that the Secretary of the Navy has directed that Steamer "Monticello" be placed under my Command.

I have therefore, the honor to request, that I may receive my Orders, & provided for by Law, and respectfully report accordingly.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

John Rodgers

Flag Officer
Chief of Ordnance & Hydrography

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

A-May 21- C

No. 146.

Surgeon's Certificate.
Act of March 3rd 1863.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that
A. Medical Examination of Commissioned
Lieutenant Edward Thompson was
this day made by the undersigned, and
that he was found to be physically
qualified for promotion to the grade of
Lieutenant in the Navy of the United
States, from the 3rd day of January
A.D. 1865, from the date of his
Commission.

I am
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]
Surg. U.S.N.

To:
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

Private

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sir:

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

1.64

Duplicate

No 148

U. S. Flag ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda,
March 25th 1861

Sir

I have the honor, to submit herewith, the Record of a Naval General Court Martial, convened, on board, the U. S. Steamer San Jacinto, on the 20th of March 1861, for the trial of James. H. Kimball, alias Jas. H. Kemble, Private marine or other, with the finding and sentence proposed.

I am, very respectfully
your obt Servt

To:
Secretary of
the Navy
Washington
D. C.

Jno. Mullan
Flag officer
Supdg. U. S.
African squadron

I have the honor to

No 148

Sufficient

U. S. Flag Ship Wabash
St. Paul de Canada
March 25th 1861

Sir

I have the honor to submit herewith, the Record of a Naval General Court Martial, convened on board the U. S. Steamer San Jacinto, on the 20th of March 1861, for the trial of James H. Kimball, alias Wm H. Kemble, Private marine or others, with the finding and sentence approved.

I am, very respectfully
your obt Servt

[illegible]
Secretary of
Navy
Washington
D. C.

[illegible]
Flag officer
Comdg U. S.
African squadron

Subsistence
U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
149. St. Paul de Loando
March 26th 1861

Sir

I have the honor to submit herewith, the record, of the incomplete proceedings, of a Naval General Court Martial, convened on board the U. S. Steamer San Jacinto, on the 6th of March 1861, for the trial of James. L. Ball, Private Marine, or other, thereof, it will be seen, that, after testimony, had been taken, and before making the ruling upon the charges, the Court discovered discrepancy, between the real name of Private Marine, under trial, and that which, he was transferred to the Ship which, he served. The report thereof, to President of the Court, to the Command-er in Chief, and the order of latter, to stay proceedings, and dissolve Court, are appended to the Record, now transmitted.

I am very respectfully
Your

No. 1216 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia
Octr. 25th. 1861

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith, duplicates of my dispatches Nos. 148, and 149; as directed, by the letter of the Navy Dept. dated Sept. 30th 1861, receipt of which has been delayed, by it being misdirected

I am very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
J. L. Lardner
Commodore U. S. N.

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D. C.

Your obedient Servant
J. L. Lardner
Flag Officer
Comdg. U. S.
African Squadron

Hon. Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D. C.

Duplicate

1597

U. S. Steamship Constellation
off Cape La Hogue
May 7th 1861.

I have the honor to report that the Privateer Schooner Petrel of Charleston, has been captured by this ship, and the Privateer Petrel, having Charleston, on the 7th inst. [illegible]

The Petrel was boarded, between the 1st and 2nd inst. Her Captain reports that on Sunday, and the Petrel sailed, with [illegible] Saturday, having [illegible] Petrel, and [illegible] Petrel

The Steam Sloop Saratoga, has been [illegible] as well as the Steamer [illegible] Petrel, [illegible] Petrel

The Flag Ship [illegible] by [illegible] business referred to the Commander-in-Chief and [illegible] of the Cape [illegible]

The Steamer [illegible] Petrel [illegible] Petrel [illegible] Petrel

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

No. 1.

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Ft. Paul de Loanda, April 4th 1861

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the Flag Ship and Steamer "Mystic," have been docked and refitted on this port, within the last three weeks. And the sloop "Portsmouth," having been hove down, on the 29th ult., is now undergoing the same repair.

The Steamer "Supply" arrived here on the 1st inst. for supplies. The "Saratoga" sailed yesterday, and the "Iroquois" will sail on the 5th inst. having overhauled her Engine, and received supplies.

The sloop "Saratoga" has been cruising constantly since the 1st of February, and is now at sea, as well as the Steamer "Mystic," which will visit port on the 14th February inst.

The Flag Ship, is detained in port, by pressing business, referred to the Commander-in-Chief, and in expectation of the early arrival of the Line Ships.

The Squadron, except all requisite, has been cruising, as circumstances.

The health on the coast, generally, on board ship, on the 1st of March, is very little worse than usual, is but a little more unfavorable.

Condition

Very
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
DC

[illegible] attribute this, & the Causes [illegible]
[illegible] -ly- [illegible] in this Climate
and the Island [illegible] reason.

I beg leave, to call the attention of
[illegible] to the possibility, or probability, that
the presence of the Steamers "Tumpter" and "Lyon"
which are kept in service by the Quartermaster
Dept. at this [illegible] than by their
[illegible] speak [illegible] Steamers. Each [illegible]
[illegible] some Service, & only [illegible] expected of
[illegible] - Could [illegible] all together -

Yours

Very respectfully
Your Ob. Svt.

[illegible]

Brig Genl
and Chief Quartermaster

Sent to Secy State
June 28—

Colhoun intimately, several years before, and I esteem him, as entitled to the highest consideration, for patriotism and loyalty.

I am

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]

Flag Officer.
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Sec'd by
Sec'y Colhoun.

161

U. S. Ship Portsmouth
Loanda April 11. 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to request, that I may be relieved from duty on board this Ship: and I beg leave to offer the following reasons for this application.

When at St Helena, Commander Colhoun said to me, and has since Repeated to others, similar sentiments, that, all Massachusetts and Boston in particular were "damned Abolitionists and ought to be hung"— that "he hoped South Carolina, and the Southern States, would secede from the Union and pass non-intercourse laws prohibiting the North from sending her manufactures South"; — and, that they would not allow a pound of Cotton to be exported North"— that "he hoped, the streets of Boston would be grown up in grass and the damned Yankees starved into submission".

My relatives and friends, most of them, belong to Boston and to Massachusetts, and they are stigmatized as "damned Abolitionists and ought to be hung", by Commander Colhoun,

Colhoun, without his knowing the sentiments of one of them, thereby grossly insulting me as a Boston and a New England man.—

As a union man, I cannot consent to serve, voluntarily, under an Officer uttering language as treasonable in its tendency, as that used by Commander John Colhoun while in command of the United States Sloop of war Portsmouth, and I therefore respectfully request that this Application may receive the favorable action of the Department.—

I have the honor to be
with great respect
your obt Servant
John A. Bates
Paymaster

To the
Hon.ble Secretary of the Navy
Washington City.

P S I have served over twenty three months on board this Ship. The date of my Commission gives me the rank of Commander, by law, nine years, eight months and two days before the date of the commission of Commander Colhoun.

J. A. B.

"H.M.S. Hawk" Portsmouth
St. Paul de Loanda,
April 12th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to represent, that the Animus, of the accompanying letter of protest, made by Mr. Master Acton R.N. late, against me, is known in this Squadron, and it is corroborated by the following facts &c.

While on the Coast of Africa, Mr. Bates became ill, and I authorized, the Surgeon of the Ship, to remove him, from his own Attachment, to my Cabin.

He recovered, and his name was omitted in the Sick list a few days before the departure, of the Ship, from St. Helena, in February 1861.

No Conversation, except upon Official business; took place between us, after Mr. Bates re-occupied his Attachment.

Therefore, the Remarks, & Attack the Complainant, must have been made, if at all, while he was a Sick Guest, in my Cabin. I am incapable of such an inhospitality. The Report of Paymaster Bates, against me, is utterly false.

He was formerly, most unwisely, been allowed to Mess in the Cabin, with the Commander, in Naval Vessels, and

&c

He has attempted to bring about the same result, in the "Portsmouth."

His Visa, habits and character of Mr. Bates, would have rendered, his occupancy of any department, most inconvenient and distasteful to me.

This may be imagined, when he is ... indelicacy, to continue his Cot, hammock and encumbering my Cabin, several days after his recovery.

It thus, became necessary for me, to direct its removal, which indicated, beyond adventure, that Mr. Bates was not to my, With his Commander.

Under No Circumstances, would I have sanctioned, that innovation, of the usages of the Service.

I am, Sir,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant
A. H. Gilbreath
Commander.

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

55

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Sea, April 30th 1861.

Sir:

In accordance with Regulation, I have the honor to submit herewith, this 10th Communication, of the orders I have issued for Service, to the Squadron under my Command.

Special mention, will be made elsewhere, as to visitation of Vessels.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Wm Winn

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. Naval Squadron.

Hon:
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Island of St. Helena,
21st January 1865.

Sir,

You will be pleased to direct the transfer of Private of Marines, Thomas Bonnefield, from the Vessel under your Command, to the H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation." Your Mate, receive by transfer from the Latter Vessel, Private of Marines, Wm Smith

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signd) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. M. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg H. M. Steamer "San Jacinto"
St. Helena.

True Copy. N. Vanden Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

166

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda, Africa 5th Nov.

Sir

The 4th Auditor of the Treasury Department has directed that three months pay be charged to Lieutenant L. M. Beaudette, for advance made to him by the Navy Agent at Philadelphia. You will be pleased to Comply therewith.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

To
Sailmaker
L. J. Brown
U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"

True copy. Wanden Kennel
Flag Officers Secretary

167
C

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Ft. Sant de Loanda,
February 6th 1861.

Sir:

My order, dated 15th of August 1860, directing you to perform, for a time, part of the duty of Purser of the U. S. Steamer "Mohican", is hereby revoked, in pursuance of instructions from the Navy Department.

I am,
Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U. S. African Squadron

To
Paymaster
C. J. Brown
U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

True Copy. W.I. den Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, February 9th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to receive on board the "San Jacinto" Private Marines. Bishop, Cannon, Exton, Eberly, Hindle, Mc Cline, Mullahey, O'Connor and Burke, & make good the Guard.

The transfers of the above named Marines will be made from the "Saratoga" upon your meeting her. Say about the 1st of March next.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Captain
Thomas A. Conrad
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."
Loanda.

True copy.) A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary.)

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
February 9th 1861.

Sir:

You will report to Captain
John S. Nicholas, for duty on board
the U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation."

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Midshipman
Walter R. Butt
U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

1760

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Cabenda, March 5th 1861.

Sir.

The Flag Ship will not anchor -
You will be released to join Company
in the "San Jacinto" as soon as possible.

If you will be prevented from
doing so by Noon to-day, you will
write, (by the Dumpster) to inform me
of the Cause and to report when you
can move.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Captain
Thomas A. Inman
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Cabenda.

True copy: Alexander Semmes
Flag Officers Secretary.

1771

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Bay Loanda, March 6th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to receive on board the "San Jacinto" for passage to Loanda, Lieut. & D. Jones and John de Silva, Capts Cook & Landers, transferred from the "Mohican" & to be sent to the U.S.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African squadron

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

True copy. A. Van den Kemel
Flag Officers Secretary.

172
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Cabenda March 6th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to proceed with the "San Jacinto" direct to Loanda. Upon your arrival, you will forthwith, commence such work as may be necessary to prepare the "San Jacinto" for service.

As soon as may be practicable, you will receive your Coal and other supplies as usual. You will then be pleased to await the Flag Ship.

If a Store Ship should arrive there, she will be discharged as usual, and you will detain her until my arrival.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto."

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, March 14th 1861.

A Medical Survey has reported your health to be such, as to unfit you for service. "that you are gradually becoming more "debilitated, that your health will be restored "after perfect rest, and suitable general "and local treatment, and that your "disease originated in the line of duty."

I have received your letter of yesterday, asking to be permitted to take passage in the American Ship "Mazeppa", which will sail hence, about the 15th inst. for New Orleans.

I have no official information that any public Vessel will leave this Station - You will, therefore, proceed to the U. S. in the Ship "Mazeppa", upon the most reasonable terms that you may make, for expense of your passage home. And you will take proper Vouchers for that expenditure.

Upon your arrival in the U. S. You will immediately report, by letter, to the Navy Department, to which you will be pleased to transmit at the same time a copy of this order.

I am, Very respy, Yr. Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

ant.
uis or ke Lopes.
Seaman "San Jacinto" - Loanda

True Copy. A. Vanderhaevel
Flag Officers Secretary

1711
6

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, March 14th 1861.

Sir:

Enclosed are duplicate Copies of Medical Survey upon 1st Lieut. of Marines, Henry B. Tyler, and three other persons - transferred from the Sloop "Saratoga" to the "San Jacinto", under your Command.

The Survey reports, that, "by persistent and energetic treatment" Lieut. Tyler will be relieved.

You will be pleased upon the first practicable occasion, to cause Lieut. Tyler to be transferred to the "Saratoga", and to furnish Commander Taylor, of that Vessel, with a Copy of this order.

The Survey has reported Asst. Surg. Matthews, Br. Brate, James Martin, 2d, U.S. and Albert Stafford, Marine, to be unfit for Service - You will be pleased to cause them to be transferred, as invalids, to the first-public Vessel, when about to sail for the U. S. -

I am, Very respy.
Your Obt. Servt
Signed, Wm Inman -
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

175

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
March 30th 1861.

Sir

I have received your letter of this date; in reply to which, I have to inform you that, after your return on board the "Saratoga", an Application duly made for a Medical Re-Survey in your Case, will be entertained.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S African Squadron

1st Lieut. Marines
Henry B. Tyler Jr.
U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda

True copy. A Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

176
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
April 2d 1861.

Sir.

I have received from report of this day's date that the "San Jacinto" will be ready for sea early to-morrow afternoon.

When this ready, you will be pleased to get up Steam and report when it is up by Signal.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signd) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

True copy. N. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda, April 3d 1861.

You will be pleased to be prepared to receive Commander Alfred Taylor, of the "Iroquois" a copy of the order as to the Survey and the Sailing that vessel, of 1st Lieut. of Marines Henry B. Tyler, &c.

You will also be prepared to transfer accordingly, with the least possible delay.

If in pursuance of your order for service, you fall in with the "Saratoga", you will forthwith deliver to Commander Taylor the dispatch for him, sent herewith; and at the same time from him that you are on service that forbids delay.

The dispatch for Commander Taylor, directed to me, by the "San Jacinto", copies of which may be easily prepared and delivered, in half an hour, or less.

The transfer of Lieut. Tyler may take place at the same time, but you will not delay for any other purpose than those above mentioned.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Comdg U.S. Naval Forces

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

True copy. N. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, April 3d 1861.

Sir:

You will be pleased to proceed with the U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto," under your Command, to sea, and with reasonable diligence to Point Penas.

The U. S. Steamer "Mohican", with the last mails due, has orders to meet and await there the Flag Ship.

You will regulate your movements so as to fall in with the "Mohican" as soon as practicable. Upon meeting her, You will deliver to Commander Gordon the dispatch addressed to him, sent to you herewith, and you will be pleased to receive from him the Mails that he may have for residents in Loanda and for the Squadron, except the "Saratoga" which, the latter may more readily receive from the "Mohican."

You will furnish the "Mohican", if possible, with any supplies that she may actually need. You will effect the above with the least possible delay, and then return to Loanda direct, Where you will report as usual. If the mails are not reported in packages for the several Vessels, You will be pleased to cause it to be done while on your way hither.

I am, Very respy, Yr. Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Captain
Thos. A. Dornin
Comd U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation"
At Santa de Loanda, April 1st 1865.

Sir:

Enclosed is a list of all the public property remaining in the U. S. Store house in Loanda.

You will be pleased as soon as practicable to take on board the "San Jacinto" as much as it is possible to stow of those Articles especially those for use of Steamers.

The property thus received is for general use of the Squadron, and will be removed to a Store Ship, or elsewhere, as soon as possible.

I send enclosed a form of receiving for a list of such Articles as you may thus receive - Such list being acceptable at the Store house instead of a Requisition.

The form of Receipt is suggested as eminently desireable.

I am,

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Virgil M. Storman
Flag Officer, Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas T. Doran
Comdg U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto."
Loanda.

True copy. Landon Hamlet
Flag Officers Secretary.

H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
April 13th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to proceed to sea with the "San Lacinto," and to cruize under your General instructions.

I have been lately informed that Slaves have been shipped from various points South of Loanda. You will, therefore, first examine the Coast in that direction. You will return to this port, not later than the 4th of May next. When you will report the Flag Ship, or further orders.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. M. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas H. Dornin
Comdg H. M. Steamer "San Lacinto"
Loanda.

True copy. H. Warden Maxwell
Flag Officers Secretary.

West African Squadron
Special Orders.
U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
1st Monthly Examination
1861.

1861

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Helena, January 8th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to comply with those instructions, at the time named for the Ships of the "Squadron" in this Port.

Enclosed is a Dispatch, which is to be delivered as addressed, or placed in charge of the Store keeper at Loanda.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. Naval Forces

To Commander
S. W. Ladon
Comdg U. S. "Steamer Sumter"
St. Helena.

True Copy: S. Anderson Edwards
Flag Officer's Secretary.

182
0

H. S. Flag Ship Constellation
at Port de Grace
February 5th 1814.

Sir.

You will be pleased to pass
the Mohican, on all Requisits,
for Service; and to Report when she
will be thus ready.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Stewart
Flag Officer.
Comdg H. S. Officers Squadron

Commander
J. H. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer Mohican
Boarda

True Copy. A Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary.

183
6

U.S.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda -
February 6th 1861.

Sir.

You are hereby appointed an Acting Lieutenant on board the U. S. Steamer "Mohican", Commander J. W. Godon, to whom you will report for duty accordingly.

This Appointment is subject to Confirmation by the Navy Department.

Yours,

Flag respectfully.
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Master
Alexander F. Crosman.
U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

184
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda, February 5th 1861.

Sir.

In pursuance of an order from the Navy Department, dated November 10th 1860, you are hereby ordered to act as "Purser" of the "Mohican."

My order directing Paymaster Brown of the "San Jacinto" to perform the duties of Paymaster of the "Mohican," will be immediately revoked, as also directed by the same order of the Navy Department.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African squadron.

Commander
S. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican."
Loanda.

True copy. N. Vanden Heuvel.
Flag Officers Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, February 7th 1861.

Sir

Your Communication of this day is received.

If the "Mohican" is to take Coal at this place, and arrangements are not made to receive it from the Coal heaps on Shore, You will be pleased to place the "Mohican" alongside the Coal Ship "Mazeppa" (just arrived) and to take from her enough to fill up.

I expect the "San Jacinto" very soon, to Coal from the "Mazeppa"; and as the "Mohican" is also required for Service as soon as possible, You will inform me this morning When You can Commence thus to Coal, So as not to delay the "San Jacinto," nor retard Your departure beyond the 10th instant.

Your request for a Marine, to fill a Death vacancy on board the "Mohican," will be attended to upon the arrival of the Commanding Marine Officer, (in the "San Jacinto.")

I am, Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
S. W. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True Copy: N. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

186
6

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, February 9th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to receive on board the "Mohican," Private Marine Robinson, to replace the death vacancy in the Guard.

The transfer of Robinson, marine, will be made from the "Saratoga" upon your meeting her - say, about the 1st of March next.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
F. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

1861
6

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, February 19th 1861.

Sir.

I have received your report of the 12th inst: that the "Mohican" will be ready to proceed to Sea, under Sail, on the 14th inst.

When ready you will be pleased to proceed to Sea, with the "Mohican", and to Carry out your General and Special instructions, heretofore received.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Commander
F. W. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True Copy. A Vanden Kuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

188

0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Loanda, March 5th 1861.

Sir:

A Medical Survey has reported your health (to be) such, as to unfit you for duty on this Station; You will, therefore, report, as soon as may be practicable, to Captain Thomas A. Dornin for passage to Loanda, in order to your conveyance to the U. S., in a public Vessel.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Lieut.
J. P. Jones.
U. S. Steamer "Mohican."

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Cabenda, March 6th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to transfer (as soon as possible) to the U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto," the following persons, Viz- Lieut. I. P. Jones, and De Silva, Captains Cook.

When those persons have been received on board the "San Jacinto" You will hoist the Comet at the Mizen, which will be answered.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
S. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

190
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Cabenda, March 6th 1861.

Sir.

You will proceed to Cuise, under your general instructions, with the "Mohican" under your Command, until it be time to reach Fernando Po, so that your Coal may be on board (bunkers filled) in readiness to depart immediately upon the arrival of the Mail from Europe, which, I learn from you, now occurs on the 27th of the Month.

You will be pleased to send forward the mails now sent to you, and any others that you may have. You will also cause immediate delivery to Mr. Lyndlagen of the dispatch sent herewith; and I hope to receive his reply by your Conveyance.

When you have received the Mail, you will proceed, therewith, to join the Flag Ship at Point Pedro, where you will await her arrival.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comd'g U. S. African Squadron

mmander
. Godon
d'g U. S. Steamer "Mohican."

True copy, N. Vanden Heuvel

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Port Praia de Loanda -
April 3d 1861 -

Sir

My order, dated February 11th 1861, directing the transfer of Lieut. Francis M. Ramsay from the Sloop "Saratoga" to the Steamer "Mohican", has been, and is again hereby Countermanded -

If Lieut. Ramsay has been transferred to the "Mohican", you will be pleased to retransfer him to the "Saratoga".

Upon meeting the "Saratoga", you will furnish Commander Alfred Taylor, of that Vessel, a copy of this order.

I am

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Commander
J. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary.

192
0

H. B. M's Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, Africa 3d 1861.

Upon meeting the U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto," you will be pleased to deliver to Captain Thomas T. Dornin, of that Vessel, the Mails for the Residents of Loanda, and for all the Squadron, except the "Saratoga." The Mails for that Vessel will remain on board the "Mohican," and be delivered at the first meeting.

When the Mails shall have been put on board the "San Jacinto," you will proceed to Cruise, under your instructions, until your Supplies are nearly exhausted, but so as to admit of your reaching Loanda. You will then return there to renew them.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Seaman
Flag Officer
Comdg H. M. African Squadron

To
Commander
C. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"

True Copy. Alan den Kamel
Flag Officer's Secretary

193
6

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, April 12th 1864.

Sir:

Upon receipt of this, you will be pleased to return to Loanda, without loss of time by the Way.

The "Mohican" is ordered & proceed on distant Service, as soon as she can receive supplies; You will therefore, on arriving here, place her at once alongside the Coal Ship "Flora", which lies nearly abreast the Coal heaps.

You will also be prepared to present Requisitions to fill up the usual supplies. And make all practicable dispositions, after receipt hereof, to facilitate your early departure on the intended Service.

I am,

Very respectfully.
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. Naval Forces (Eastern)

Commander
J. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican."

True Copy. Wm. Van den Kieuel
Flag Officers Secretary.

1911
0

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, April 16th 1861.

Sir.

You will be released to fill up the Coal of the "Mohican"; and, as far as practicable, to make good all other supplies for two months, all to be done as soon as possible.

As soon as you can ascertain with Certainty, when the "Mohican" will be thus ready for Sea, you will report accordingly.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman,
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
S. W. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True Copy:) N. Wm. Inman
Flag Officers Secretary.

195

U. S. Flag Ship "Susquehanna"
St. Paul de Loanda, April 2nd 1861.

Sir:

You will be pleased to transfer to the U. S. Steamer "Mohican" the Pilot Pleasonton, U.S. and Boyes Gunner, invalids recommended to be sent home, by Medical Survey.

With their Surgeon's certificates, you will be pleased to furnish each with Armstrong, a copy of this order.

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Jno. Guman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Commander
C. W. Godon
Comdg U.S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

True copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Croix de Tenerife, Sept 24th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to proceed in the "Mohican" under your Command, with the utmost dispatch, consistent with safety, to Port Grande, St Vincent, and to Porto Praia, St Jago, Cape de Verd Islands - to arrive first at Whichever of those ports, it may be most advantageous, for the proper performance of this service.

If on your way you meet the Store Ship bringing Supplies for this Squadron, you will deliver the orders sent herewith for her Commander, and you will ascertain if dispatches are at, or have been at the Cape de Verd Islands, for the Commander in Chief. If they are not, you will give such information as may hasten the arrival here of the Store Ship; and, if not obtaining either Vessel, you will make your way to those Islands.

If the Store Ship did not have come dispatches, and if you then have Coal enough Port Praia, under Steam, you will take from the Store Ship all the mail for the Squadron, and return here.

But, if you have not then on board

— Coal

Commander J. W. Godon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Port Praia

...through it, reach Loanda the Mails, will ...
... the Time Ship and you will proceed to the ...
Cape Islands.

If you find the Store Ship there ...
from her all Mails for this Squadron, you ...
Pike Commander the order for him, and dispa...
him forthwith to Loanda.

You stay at Porto Praia, should ...
from 6 to 18 Hours only. The letter for the ...
Pike delivered and the Mails for the Squa...
in his keeping, brought away.

At St. Vincent you will fill up Bunk...
and Bags with Coal, to be supplied by ...
Agents, Messrs Foster & Miller, who will dispa...
you in twenty-four Hours or less.

It is desireable that the "Medusa" ...
arrive at St Vincents before the 10th of Nov...
when the Packet Mail steams Eastward ...
for Europe. You will be pleased to deli...
the letter for Mr. Miller, British Consul ...
receive from him any Mails for this ...
Squadron, and to pay the bills for postage ...
due. All which being done, you will ...
return with all practicable expedition ...
to Loanda.

If it shall be found necessary for ...
the "Medusa" to receive Coal at Loanda ...
desirable that she should perform the service ...
intentioned, you are at liberty to ...

Here for that purpose but in case ...
can be avoided, will rejoin for that purpose ...
the Squadron.

Your ...

I am, ...

Very respectfully ...
Your Obt. Servt ...
Signed W. ... Wise ...
Flag Officer ...
Commdg Naval Forces Western Coast ...

True Copy. W. Reynolds Wise
Flag Officers Secretary.

Flag Officer Commanding
Squadron of Observation
Gulf of Mexico

Commander
U.S. Steamer "Octorara"

Sir,

1861.

Flag Ship Constellation
St. Pauls de Loanda, Africa 8th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to report, that Mr. Nicolas Blatchford an Engineer employed by the Navy Department in the Africa Squadron will be pleased to Comply with your

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Steam Squadron

Lieut. Commdg
U.S. Str. Arrington
Off Ambriz

U.S. Steamer Sumpter
Loanda.

Copy Respy. Wm. Inman
Flag Officer Commdg

1917

H.M. Flag Ship Immortalité
At Port de Joinville, 18th Nov. 1867

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I received the dispatches, and the Letter addressed to the Navy Department, which you did me pleasure to forward to me, & shall transmit my instructions accordingly.

I beg to inform you that I shall leave Rio de Janeiro on the 1st proximo March next, and continue to sail in company with the vessels under my command, until I receive further instructions.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient Servant,

Henry Keppel
Comr. C.B. & Comdr.
Senior Naval Officer
Flag Officer
Comdg. H.M. Squadron

Capt. Comdg
Commr. H. Armstrong
Comdg H.M.S. Steamer Pumpkin
Panda

True copy. Alexander Kennedy
Flag Officer's Secretary.

On Flag Ship Constitution
At Cape de Verd Is. April 1st 1844.

Sir

You will proceed to the Island of "Boa Vista" taking the pilot on board for the Island) the following articles for Garrison stores on your return to this ship

2218 lbs. Bread
2600 " Beef
1200 " Pork
947 " Peas
537 " Rice
228 " Pickles
400 " Sugar
200 " Butter
81 " Cheese
50 gals. Beans.

Yours,

Copy respectfully
Upon Sail. Capt.
Signed W. Bolton
Flag Officer

Lieut. & Sail. Sailing Master

To
Lt. Simsbourg
U.S.S. Steam Sloop "
Cyane.

True copy. Simsbourg Lieut
Flag Officers Secretary.

202

6

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda, April 25th 1861

Sir

I have deemed it my duty to report to the Department the fact that the Master of the Steamer "Sampson" has refused to receive on board the Steamer Constellation under my command, the Commander of the U. S. Steamer "Sumpter" now at this port & a passenger for the United States by the present opportunity.

I have also received a letter from the Captain of the Sumpter, which I enclose & request that you will cause a Copy of this order

I am Sir very respectfully your obedient
Signed H. Mc Cauley
Flag Officer Commanding U. S. Naval Forces
on the W. Coast of Africa

Lieutenant
Commd. W. Stewart
Steamer "Sampson"
Loanda

One Copy Lieutenant Commd.
Flag Officer's Secretary

204

H.M. Telegraph Steamer
"Valorous" Sandy Point

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that I
arrived here, and before I proceed to
other places, I am anxious to
ascertain if the Colonial Legislature
is to meet, as I am desirous of
the Governor, officers with
alliance with their request with
to the Treasury regulations

I am informed by Captain Crawford
British Officer on the South Coast, that
days a Whaler will be held at Sandy
which those Americans named above, and other
foreign traders, will be invited to attend.

I consider it, desirable to attend at
whaler - your object being to ascertain those
and other Americans who may be found the
propriety of removing their establishment
Banks Point, where protection
may be, more readily and effectually afforded
where the occasional presence of

I

Lieut. Condy
Wm. E. Le Roy.
Mdg. H.M. Steamer "Victoria"

[illegible] Commercial Agency
and recently.

I desire you, distinctly to inform the
Americans that the notoriously unlawful
of the trade conducted at Tunta de Lenha
vessels are liable to attempt anything
them. While at Loanda or at that location
prohibited by the Blockade regulations
you.

In the belief that the true interests
the honest American traders will be
benefitted by removing their establishments
of Tunta de Lenha, I desire that you press
at the Balance may tend to bring into effect
that object.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
signed W^m Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

A true copy. Alexander Murdoch
Flag Officers Secretary.

Flag Officer Inman
Comdg African Squadron

You will forthwith proceed with the "Sophie" under the most powerful steam at her command, to the Kongo River, where you will be placed at the disposal of the Senior Officer present.

On arriving at the mouth of the River you will proceed up the River to Banza Manteke, the residence of the Chief Dom Antonio, the next Chief higher up, to whom you will deliver the letter addressed to him, and which you will find enclosed in a sealed envelope.

You will then proceed to the Factory of Tunta de Lenha, the property of Senhor Pedro Martins, and forcibly prevent the further shipment of slaves from that establishment, and destroy the buildings, stockades, and all other property which may be found there, appertaining to the slave trade.

You are, however, to understand that you should not be justified in using force, but at the same time other hostility which you may consider necessary for your own safety and the honour of your Command, who should accompany you, will involve you in a risk to your health, not contemplated by the Blockading Regulations, which must be avoided by you. You will decline to attend the Palaver.

The Chiefs present will upon explanation of the circumstances and objects of the meeting of the American traders present to your enclosed instructions, you will be pleased to convey their request to me.

I am Sir
Your obt. Servt
Capt. & Sr. Navy
Comdg H. M. Steamer "Sophie"

H. M. Consulate
St. Paul de Loanda March 10th 1851

No.

I have received your communication of the 6th Inst. relative to the Portuguese Ship "Sylvia" having been detained on board the "Sylvia" having been considered as Mutinous by the Captain of the "Dove," after She had made a signal for Assistance.

You will be pleased to retain those Men in safe keeping for the present, until the Commercial Agent of the U. S. may take action in regard to them.

If it becomes necessary, You will report further in relation to those Men.

I am,

Sir,

Your very obedient
Humble Servt
Signed Wm Simmons
Flag Officer
Commanding H. M. Naval Squadron

To
Wm Radcliffe Esq
Flag Lieut
Commanding H. M. Naval Squadron
Loanda.

True Copy. Alexander Edmonstone
Flag Officers Secretary.

U.S. Steamship Tuscarora
At Sea, Bay of Panama, April 6th 1865

Sir,

You will be pleased to take from the Store House, and put on board the Hospital Vessel "Hygeia", at present at this Port, such provisions as will be required for the Ship for the following

Bread, Rice, Flour, Sugar and Beans

You will make immediate requisition for such stores, and the entire Vessel be made shotten when ready, as the public exigency are now discharged.

You will please be pleased to direct the "Hygeia", when she be ready for service, to Bay in advance of the time, should it be necessary to repair the Engine.

I am,

very respectfully
your obt servt
signed Wm Swasey
Acting Master
Commdg U.S. Steamer Tuscarora

Lieut. Comdg
Wm E. P. Roy
Comdg U.S. Steamer "Hygeia"
Panama

Copy. Standen Hemmel
Flag Officers Secretary

H. M. Ship Constantine
St. Paul de Loanda this 5th 1857

Sir

You will be pleased to proceed to the Congo and Bonny & the Niger, under your command & the pilot on board as practicable.

Immediately after which, you will proceed to Cabenda & Ambriz, under the instructions, between that port and the Fish Bay, having regard to the requirements of the health of the ship's company of the "Mystic", which you have reported some unfavorably affected than formerly.

The "Mystic" you will be required to visit at Loanda & the Mail due there on the 25th inst. You will therefore regulate the movements of the "Mystic" so as to admit of her return for supplies at that port, & Loanda she is to be ready to leave Loanda on the 25th inst. with the mail, on the 25th inst.

I am

Sir

Your respectfully

Obt. Servt

Edmd Fitzmaurice

Flag Lieut

Commd H.M. Ships Squadron

Capt. Crawley
H.M.S. Le Roy
H.M.S. Steamer "Mystic"
Loanda.

Thos Crawley
Flag Lieut de au Roy.

92

U

H. M. Ship Constitution
At Sea de Loanda, April 18th 1861.

Sir,

I am sailing this day for Ambriz & Mossamedes.

I am sorry to be pleased & proceed with Despatches
to sea, but I have no choice in the matter as I am
under the most peremptory Orders that none may visit the
Harbour "Mossuco" the Locust.

Commander Gordon, in command Captain Bruce
of the "Mohican" would be at Loanda on the
9th inst. It is desirable that if possible, you may
meet her before that day. Upon falling in with
her you will deliver to Commander Gordon the Despatches
I am sent to you herewith.

If you meet the "Saratoga" you will deliver to
Commander Taylor the Despatch for him which
contains a Duplicate of that for Commander Gordon
Therefore, you may meet the "Saratoga" at Loanda
and not the "Mohican."

After you know that Commander Bruce has
joined the Dispatch vessel either here, or will
take them there, & proceeded to sea, and you will
if possible, see Lieutenant Delaut upon as
soon as you can receive the Letter due to you
by, with which you will return direct to

Loanda

Lieut. Lord G. Wm. S. Le Roy
H. M. S. Steamer "Ignite"
Loanda.

Copy

H.B.M. Ship "Constellation"
Off Colombo, March 1st 1851.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for the information of their Lordships Commissioners of the Admiralty, a Letter addressed to me by Lieut. Commander Hillyar, of H.B.M. Ship "Dwarf" under my orders, stating that he has been compelled to put into Galle, in consequence of the Ship he commands having become unfit for Service.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) Wm Loman
Flag Officer
Commdg H.B.M. Squadron on this Station.

To
Commander
John Erskine
Commdg H.M. Ship "Dwarf"
Galle

True Copy. Wm Loman Comdr
Flag Officer & Commdg.

H.B.M. Steam Ship
"Constellation"
Galle
March 1st
1851

H.M. Ship Victorious
at Bermuda 6th 1871.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that
Lieut. Colbourne reported himself
with the Detachment, which you will
proceed to join at Bermuda.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient
Servant
(Signed) H. Wilmot
Flag Officer,

To the Officer Commanding Royal Marines

Commander
John Colbourne
R.M.L.I. of H.M.S. "Victorious"

A true copy of Admiral Wilmot's
Flag Officer's Memorandum

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

216
6

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

H.M.S. "Espiegle" Coromandel

[illegible]

Should you not have sailed with the Ordnance under your Command, and have not received sufficient, Directions therein made by Commander Revell, being guided by the General Instructions with which I have furnished you on the subject.

Should otherwise ordered you will anchor between Tairua Bay on the North, and Cook's Head, on the South. Keeping generally in sight of the Coast. And from which endeavor to return in three days, to be in the main stream of Tairua River.

When in Place you will not be confined to these limits, which are named as probable there shall be greatest possibility of procuring Cances. All which I have take and suitable information.

On and after the 1st of March will you anchor in the Anchorage at Whitianga Bay until you meet the "Espiegle" or receive further orders.

The following is a list of Armament, etc.

Commander

Alfred Taylor

Acting H.M.S. "Lord Worsley"

= Coromandel

[illegible] Bay of Santa Barbara, [illegible]
[illegible] Coast. They are not regular traders
and are [illegible] intending to come back [illegible]
[illegible] are part of the Coast within the [illegible]
I have named above.

[illegible] ship "Nightingale" about 1000 tons
[illegible] "Volunteer" and "Success" and [illegible]
"Pike" and "Wasp" - the last of which [illegible]
[illegible] "Serena" with [illegible]

I [illegible] able to know any light
night. And when in Chase at night the [illegible]
of the Chase may be indicated by [illegible]
[illegible] Night Telescopes [illegible]

I [illegible] and sentinel Light
[illegible] Signal [illegible]
[illegible] Sir,

Your most respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Squadron [illegible]

A true copy. [illegible]
Flag Officers Secretary.

"Flag Ship Constellation"
[illegible] de Landa, February 1st, 65

Sir,

You will be pleased to [illegible]
"Saratoga" for sea, at as early an hour
as practicable. P. May.

When she is [illegible] prepared, and the
transfer made as ordered, [illegible]
make signal No 933.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Squadron

Commander
Alfred Taylor
Commdg U.S. [illegible] "Saratoga"
[illegible]

True copy. N. Marston Russell.
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
At Sea Off Havana, Cuba June 9th 1823

Sir

You will be pleased to head the ship under the "Saratoga" first and the squadron in line of the accounts of the disturbances in the Island from the U. S. in the "Saratoga" & the expedition which you will be detained & bring them you may find it in the line of your duty

To the Commander
Private Bishop, Canning, Shirley, Sandle, & Commander
Mann, Mullehy, O'Connor & Clark

To the Officers
Private Robinson

To the "Hampton"
Private Cooper

To the "Saratoga"
Private Reed, Marshall

To the "Constellation"
Privates Mann, Hart, Hill and Sergeant
Sam, Ross, Corporal
Lane, Hall, Cook
Sergeant Major Thomas
Flag Officer
Boatswain Mate, Gunner, Master, Carpenter
Lieut Taylor
U. S. Sloop "Saratoga"

Clerk copy. To Commodore Porter
Flag Officer

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Cape de Loanda, Feby 11th 1861.

Sir.

You are hereby detached from the U. S. Sloop "Saratoga" & from your present duties on board the U. S. Steamer "Mohican" when directed to report for duty, on board that Vessel to the Commander C. W. Gordon.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. Naval Forces on the Coast

Lieut.
Francis A. Ramsay
U. S. Sloop "Saratoga."

True copy. A Vanderbenvel
Flag Officers Secretary.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Off Orleans, March 8th 1865

Sir

You will proceed immediately to Port Royal S. C. and report your arrival to Rear Admiral Dahlgren Commanding South Atlantic Blockading Squadron, and obey his orders.

Make all proper requisitions on the Navy Yard for such supplies as you may require for Ship and Battery. You will be furnished with Ordnance Stores by the Ordnance Officer at the Navy Yard.

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Signed Jno Guthrie
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval Forces on the
Coast of the South Atlantic

Commander
Alfred Taylor
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Santiago"

A true Copy of the Original
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Croix de Tenerife March 8th 1851

Sir

I have received your letter of the 7th inst. stating that you are entitled, by seniority to the position of Executive Officer of the Steamer "Iberia" and you wish me to signify to you if it is my intention to retain you in that position.

In reply I beg to inform you that I have assigned Lieut. Low to duty on board the "Saratoga" & informed of the names of the Lieutenants now on board the "Iberia"

A Lieutenant Senior to you has applied to be appointed to the Saratoga which I have not & and has been refused by the Navy Department. You are ordered by the same authority, as under the circumstances & I am sanctioned to in due Compliance with your request.

I am,

Very respectfully,
Your Obt Servt
signed Chas H. Bell
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. African Squadron

Lieut.
Charles H. Hays
U.S.S. Loop "Saratoga"

Mrs Capy. Saunders Howard
Flag Officer's Secretary

U. S. African Squadron -

Special Orders.

U. S. S Loop "Saratoga

10th Monthly transmission

- 1861 -

H. M. Ship Immortalité
at Saint Jean de Luz, 17th March 1814

Sir,

I am sorry to be under the necessity of troubling you with a letter, to request that you will direct the Ship "Hazelfoot" for the use of this Squadron to be moored in the Harbour, as she is in the way of the Anchors and the Stone Keeper of the Lighthouse at Socoa to day.

I am

Sir

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Signed Wm Parker

Flag Officer

Commdg H. M. Squadron &c &c &c

To Captn

Captain Hoskins

Commdg H. M. Ship Creole

Off

Saint Jean de Luz

Flag Officer

H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
at Table Bay, June 6th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to request
you will be pleased to move
the Flag Officer
Commanding H.M. Ships and Vessels
at the Cape of Good Hope
to grant me
a Court Martial
for the trial of
Captain
Robert Nicholas
Commanding H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation".

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Flag Officer
Commanding H.M. Ships and Vessels
at the Cape of Good Hope.

True Copy. Robert Nicholas
Flag Officer

6

[illegible]

[illegible] will be issued [illegible]
with the "Constellation" for the time commanded
[illegible], for the benefit of the health of the
Ship's Company.

The (expected) arrival of a Mail [illegible]
will precipitate the daily [illegible] of
Journals, Letters &c. &c. therefore they [illegible]
to Days, all of this sort.

I am

Sir,

Your Most Obedt.
Humble Servt.
Signed) Wm. Gilmore
Flag Officer
Comdg. H.M. Ships & Vessels [illegible]

Captain
Sir C. Nicholas
&c &c &c Flag Ships "Constellation"

True copy: Wm. Gilmore
Flag Officer &c &c &c.

No. 156.

No. 1 African Squadron.
Special Order.

U. S. Ship "Constellation."
10th Month, Examination.
1861.

No. 156.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation.
At Sea, April 30th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor, to report that last evening, this Ship, when off Point Banda, fell in with, the H. B. Steam Ship "Relief," on her way, from Liverpool to Loanda, her Officers and Crew in usual health.

I have to acknowledge the receipt, brought by the "Relief" of the letter from the Department, dated 21st January 1861, acknowledging receipt of my dispatches, from No 120 to No 123, inclusive.

I have also received, the letter of the Department, dated 19th December 1860, referring to, and enclosing communication, from the British Minister, Lord Lyons, and from Collector Schell of New York, on the subject of the

— American.

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

American Bark "Buckeye", suspected of being engaged in the Slave trade.

I am also, in receipt of Communications, from the Department, for Commander Taylor, of the Sloop "Jamestown", for Chief Engineer Shock, of the Steamer "Mohican", and for Mr. Edward A. Barnes, Naval Store Keeper. A Commission for Lieut. Chapman, of the "Mohican", and a Warrant for Boatswain Grace, of the "San Jacinto", have also been received. All which will be duly forwarded.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Wm. Winn Jr.
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
May 1st. 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to inform the Department, that I have received the Minutes of Division Clothing, that the quantity of Bread, and other Ship provisions, just received here, in the store Ship "Relief", for the African Squadron, will probably, for about three months duty.

This will necessitate the immediate departure of one of the Store Ships as the "Relief", has 85 days on her voyage out

I anticipate no demand, that Bills for money, can properly be negotiated here, or previous the present month of the station, except for insignificant sums.

And

Hon.

Secretary of the Navy
Washington

Send at Ca Tamaqua, Cates

I therefore suggest that the first three Ships, or other Cutter, Public Vessel, may bring, for the use of this Squadron for least, One hundred thousand Dollars, ($100 000); one third of which, should be in Coin of the United States of Value of five Dollars ($5.00), and one third, in that of lesser Value

The Squadron is Very short of funds.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt.

[signature]

Flag Officer,
Comdg No. Atlantic Squadron

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
May 1st 1861

Sir:

I have the honor to report the arrival here yesterday, of the Store Ships "Release" & "Supply" from the Navy Yard.

The Flag Ship, and Steamer "Sumpter" are here, and will be dispatched, with the provisions just received

The Sloops "Portsmouth" and "Vandalia", And Steamer "San Jacinto", "Iroquois" And "Mohican", are at sea. They soon will want provisions, And will return here for them - except the Steamer "Mohican", which was provisioned for 50 days by Contributions from the other Vessels, And is now sent, to intercept the "Release," And to the Cape de Verd Islands. Have returned

Very

Secretary of the Navy
Washington, DC

return may be expected, early next month.

The numbers on the sick-lists, on the vessels present, are still above the usual average.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt

[signature]

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

59

U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
At Port de Leon
May 2d 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to report that at the 12th ultimo I received from Lt. Com. Mc Cauley at Vera Cruz a letter of instructions of which a copy is herewith marked A. executing the instructions, for his command and mine, at that place.

On the following day I received from Lt. Commander Colhoun, then in command of the "Dolphin" sailed here for Tampico, Commander Colhoun, being furnished with a letter of instructions of which a copy is marked B.

On the 22d of April, the "Dolphin" left Tampico having accomplished the object of her mission will appear by the report, dated 3 May, copy enclosed marked C. the details of

Hon:

Secretary of the Navy
Washington, DC.

(Copy)

Loanda Apl. 12. 1861

Flag Officer Wm. Inman
U.S. Squadron
Sir,

Just arrived at this port from Ambizette in the american Schooner "St Helena" I have to ask your protection for my property now in store in Ambizette, a native town in 7°14'S Latitude well known by the white buildings of the traders; and anchorage good in 7 fathoms, bringing said white buildings to bear SE by E. (South East by East). Landing is generally good on the beach at this season.

The natives in that town have often been troublesome when having a number of trading houses among them, seeking any occasion to impose upon the traders palavers or talks, afterwards enforcing gifts from the traders, even if they admit themselves to have been in the wrong as in the present case.

When but one trader is among them, as has been the case the past year they never give any trouble, fearing to lose all their trade with the whites.

They requested me earnestly to erect a trading house there this year, and I have omitted paying them the usual custom, with which they are satisfied. On about the 1st Ultimo, while inside my factory trading, hundreds of natives suddenly attacked the building with stones, sticks, muskets &c. At once I went out revolver in hand to defend my property and endeavor to ascertain the cause of the attack, when they threatened me with knives, muskets &c. Quelling the disturbance in some measure, I at last ascertained that they said a report had reached

(Copy)

Loanda Apl. 12. 1861

Flag Officer Wm. Inman
U.S. Squadron
Sir,

I have received your letter of this date, and the Original Agreement or Treaty, also endorsed formally, made by Commander Bonhoure, with the Kings and Chiefs of Ambizette, of which you have sent me a true Copy.

This special service, has been satisfactorily, & judiciously performed by Commander Bonhoure and the Agreement, marked "A" signed by all the Kings & Chiefs agent for U.S. Steamers at Ambizette, and by the Agents of two U.S. American Commercial Houses there, shews their satisfaction, with the visit of the "Portsmouth."

I have,

Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

Wm Inman

Flag Officer,
Comdg U.S. Steamer Squadron

reached town that I had landed Cannon for the purpose of taking the Country. at an entire loss to know what they could hitch such a pretext on, with any plausibility, I shewed the Chiefs all I had, when at last they pointed out some childrens toy cannon as the offending article. After great difficulty in quelling the row, I sent one of the toy cannon by Chiefs, for the Queen's inspection, and after holding three separate palavas or talks on the subject, at intervals of several days apart, they decided the Cannon could do no injury and I could trade with them as I intended. But now they demanded pay in a dash, a present and forced me to satisfy all their demands, under the threat of again attacking our factory. To my assurance that I should apply to an American man-of-war for protection and to enforce justice from them, they answered with derision, "we never see any american man-of-war, you have none, "We see of English" and they will not believe that any American man-of-war will ever interrupt them in their nefarious practices.

While I was erecting my factory and had goods stored in Mr. Brookhouse factory, by the kindness of his agent there, Mr. Adams, the natives broke into it one day stealthily while we were dining and robbed some of my goods. One of the thieves was caught in the act and with the goods in his hand. Yet after consenting to his punishment the natives took him forcibly from us and have never offered any satisfaction for the theft, or returned the goods. They also stole a great quantity of my lumber while the factory was erecting. They fired into and drove back one boat in her attempt to go into the river there for fresh water for ship's use.

In the end I beg leave to add that the loss to me at that point from the destruction of my property by the natives, which I have reason to apprehend may already have occured, would be not less than £25.000. or - that an american force is immediately needed there and that in future the natives will always be held in check by the occasional landing there of officers from our men-of-war. Mr. Wm. A. Putnam, my agent, will furnish there, particulars as to our losses &c.

With high regard Sir
I am Yr. Mo. Obt. Sert.
(Signed) John B. Spalhawk

True Copy
(Signed) A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

True Copy Edwd. St. C. Clarke
Clerk to Commor.

Copy

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda,
April 13th 1861.

Sir.

You will be pleased to proceed to sea with the "Portsmouth" under your command. Enclosed is a certified copy of a letter from Mr John B. Sparhawk, representing himself to be an American, having a Store or Factory at Ambrizette.

You will proceed with the "Portsmouth" direct to that place, where you will anchor as near to the port, or Factory, as consists with security. You will make enquiry as to the injuries said to have been sustained by Mr Sparhawk, and you will take such action therein, as may be judicious and proper to procure from the natives respect for the persons and property of American Citizens residing among them, and, if possible, just reparation for Mr Sparhawk.

In doing this, you will endeavor to impress the natives with the fact, that there is always an American Naval force at hand, ready and sufficient to punish any injustice to Americans, of which the natives may be guilty.

You will exercise a sound discretion in conducting this duty, in which it is desireable to avoid a collision in territory

U. S. Ship Portsmouth
Off St Paul de Loanda
May 2d 1861.

Sir.

I have the honor to report, that in accordance with your order of the 13th ult. I sailed from Loanda and proceeded to Ambrizette, where I arrived and anchored on the 17th inst.

The next morning, 18th, I sent Lieutenant Stevens on shore, to obtain particulars in regard to the troubles with the Natives as represented in the accompanying letter of Mr. Sparhawk, and to enclose a Copy of such Report as he could obtain, together with a Communication from the American residents.

I made arrangements for an interview between the Queen of Ambrizette, her Chiefs in the province of Angola, and myself, at 10 o'Clock A.M. on the 20th inst.

On that day, accompanied by several of the Officers, I proceeded to the town of Ambrizette, four miles inland, and after a "Palaver" of about two hours, which I am happy to say resulted in an honorable arrangement of all the difficulties, the enclosed Articles of Agreement were signed by the Queen, the principal Chiefs and myself, in the presence of several hundred of the Natives, and to which they appeared to attach great importance.

On the 22d of April I sailed from

Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth"
Loanda.

True copy. A Vanden Kemmel
Flag Officers Secretary

---

whom the U. S. have no jurisdiction, and [illegible] may necessitate a diversion of the force employed in pursuance of instructions for other purposes. So far as may be practicable, you observe the sanatory regulations.

When these objects have been effected, you return to Loanda if practicable by the 4th May next, and you will cruise in the interval if there be opportunity.

You will be pleased to make to the Officer on the South Coast a full written report of the occurrences relating to the complaint brought by Mr Sparhawk at Ambrizette.

I am, very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Ambrizette, and proceeded as far North as the mouth of the Congo, and not seeing any vessels I proceeded to Kinsimbo, where I communicated with one of the Agents, who informed me that every thing at that place as well as at Ambriz, was perfectly quiet.

I am happy to state, that the health of the Officers and crew of this ship is good.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Jno. Colhoun
Commander

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg U. S. Naval Forces
Coast of Africa

True copy: A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

2117

(Copy)

U.S. Ship Portsmouth
Off Ambizette
April 18. 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that, in obedience to your order, I went on shore this morning and called on the american residents to ascertain the existing state of their relations with the natives, and in reply I beg to enclose the accompanying note, signed by Mr. Stewart, agent for the house of Wiggin & Co of Boston, Mr. Adams for the house of Brookhouse & Co, of Salem, and Mr. Putnam for the house of Sparhawk, of Salem.

I also learned the following particulars, that on the establishment of Mr. Sparhawk's house here, some three months ago, a misunderstanding occurred between him and the natives, which resulted in their threatening the house which he occupied and throwing stones at it.

They also broke into his store-room and stole some twenty dollars worth of goods. One of the thieves was caught with part of the goods, but was rescued by other natives. This difficulty however was all settled by a trifling present, and harmony was restored, though no reparation was

made for the theft. Some lumber was also stolen amounting perhaps to twenty dollars more.

also, a boat belonging to Mr. Sparhawk's Schooner, the St. Helena, was fired at and prevented from going up the River for water, thus detaining the Schooner some days, until water could be obtained in another way.

The Trade here is entirely in the hands of Americans, viz: the three houses mentioned above, and is supposed will amount to some ($50.000) fifty thousand dollars per annum, for each house, with the prospect of increasing.

The principle article of export is Ivory, but Orzilla and Peanuts, are also obtained and some little Gum.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) H.K. Stevens
Lieut: U.S.N.

To
Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg: U.S.S. Portsmouth.

True copy. H. Wanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary

True copy
C. St.C. Clarke
Commdrs. clerk

Copy

John Colhoun Commander in the Navy of the United States of America, Commanding the United States Sloop of war Portsmouth.

Sir,

We beg to return you our sincere thanks for kindness you have shown towards us on this occasion.

We have no doubt that the agreement which you entered into yesterday with the Queen and chiefs of Ambrizette will greatly benefit us and will tend to impart to the natives of this place a much greater respect for the Americans than they have hitherto entertained.

Heretofore when we have had trouble with the natives and have threatened them with an American man-of-war they have asked us in derision where are your men-of-war? we see none of them, consequently our threats are of no avail as they only laugh at us when we threaten them.

It is therefore necessary that a man-of-war should call into this place occasionally to keep up the effect which your negotiations with them yesterday had upon the Chiefs and natives generally.

The business done here

by

by the americans annually amounts to from 150 to 200,000 dollars, and we think as there are so many of our ships of war on the Coast - we certainly ought to have an occasional visit from them.

With the greatest respect we remain all Sirs most sincerely

(signed) James L. Stewart
agent for Jas & Higgin & Co
Boston

(signed) John Adams
agent for Robert Brookhouse
Salem

(signed) Wm L. Putnam
agent for John B. Graham
New York

True Copy
C. F. Clair Clarke
Commons Clerk.

Articles of Agreement

Between John Colhoun, commander in the Navy of the United States of America, commanding the United States Sloop of war Columbus, and the Queen of Amboyna.

Article 1.

There shall be peace, and friendship, between the Queen, her successors and subjects, and the United States, and their citizens.

Article 2.

The citizens of the United States shall be permitted to build Factories, dispose of their goods, and trade with the natives, and shall at all times be protected from assaults by the subjects of the Queen.

Article 3.

It shall be lawful for american Ships to procure water from the River, and boats entering the River for that purpose shall not be interfered with.

Article 4.

American Merchants, or their Agents residing at the Factories, shall be entirely protected from theiving; and in all cases where complaint is made to the Lucan, of any attempt to steal, pick the locks, or plunder in any manner, the property in or belonging to the Factories, the offenders shall be punished; and if any goods shall be stolen, they shall be at once returned to their Lawful owners, or compensation made for them.

Signed and Sealed at Ambrizette, the 20th day of April 1861.

Pedro [illegible] his mark X Pedro

Jose X Mangeira his mark

Jose X Monteiro his mark

Congo X Mafoo his mark

Sent to Secy of State and transmitted with copy of July 31 1861 Abstract Log Book

257

160

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
off St Paul de Loanda.
Bay 6th 1861

Sir.

I have the honor to inform the Department, that on the 21st of April last in Kabenda Bay, off the port Captain American Ship "Nightingale", of 1000 tons, with three hundred and sixty one, (361) Slaves on board, by the U. S. Sloop "Saratoga", Commander Officer of Taylor of the African Squadron under my Command.

The details, have been submitted, in a Report to the Department sent by Commander Taylor, in the "Nightingale", under Command of Lieut. A. S. Guttine. Who was directed, to Land the Slaves, in charge of the U. S. Agent for Captured Africans,

I have

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

at Monrovia, after which the vessel was ordered to New York.

Two Lieutenants, & two Lieutenants of Marines, are thus vacated, on board the Saratoga.

There are now, short of complement in the Squadron, nine (9) Lieutenants. four (4) Lieutenants of Marines. One (1) Surgeon, One (1) Master, thirteen (13) Midshipmen, One (1) Sail Maker. One hundred (100) Seamen and Ord. & Marines, all of whom, are much needed.

I respectfully request, that they may be sent out, by the earliest opportunity.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

J. M. Gilman

Flag Officer
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron.

No. 161. U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda, May, 4th 1861.

Sir.

I have the honor, to represent to the Department, that this ship, will have been two years, in Commission on the 15th of next month. No notice, of my being relieved, or order for her return home, have yet reached me, thus, the limit, hitherto placed, by the Wisdom of the Department, to the duration of service, in this unhealthy climate, will be transcended.

It is matter of Record, that under my direction, the African Squadron, has checked the Slave trade, more effectually than was done, by all the Vessels of the U. S., taken collectively, that is ever been employed for that purpose.

Eleven American Vessels, five of which contained 3,754 Slaves, the latter landed at Monrovia, have been

—Captured

Hon. Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D. C.

captured, and sent to the U.S.- Reclamation
has been made, Under the Abolition Treaty
upon the Colonial government, of the Island
of St. Helena, and three American Citizens
Captured by a British Cruiser, in an
American Slave Laden Vessel, notwithstand-
ing Officers & Papers were surrendered, Sen-
tence, Tried, and Condemned.

Protection to all American interests
has been promptly rendered, all instructions
obeyed, and duties fully performed.

The intelligent head of the Reclamation
will appreciate, without mention, that the
results, could only be obtained, by unremit-
ting effort, which has made, such inroad upon
our health, as to require immediate removal
from the Climate of this Station.

The Steamer "San Jacinto," was sent to
Boston, seven months, from this Station,
and was stocked in Cadiz, Spain
Captain Thomas A. Dornin, joined her this
Port- the Civil Officers, kept in Rank, and
Non, Warrant Officers, have come upon this
Station since then.

I therefore, respectfully request,
that

that immediate orders, be sent out to
transfer (temporarily) the Command of
this Squadron, to Captain a man, whose
experience, energy, intelligence and
reliability, qualify him, commanding
for that Trust. And that the Communi-
cation, return per Steamer, to enable the U.S.
to enter the port of Philadelphia.

One Copy of these, and the three
Commands, of the Reclamation, I have
sent the U.S. by the 1st of the month
by Steamer, the Lancashire for Pernambuco
Do- and a Duplicate I should send
the U.S. by the 3d of the month, by
Steamer, Via Southampton, England,
for St Vincent, Cape Verd Islands
Sam.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

No 162. U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, May 7th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor, to inform the Department, that the Steamer "Mystic," arrived here, on the 6th inst., with the Mail, which brought me, the dispatch, of the Department, of the 23d of February, 1861, in which, receipt of my dispatches, was acknowledged, and my decision, not to send one of the Squadron, to treat with King Buna, up the Rio Nunez, was approved.

The "Mystic" sailed hence, on the 13th ulto.; and has lost two men, out of her small crew, in the interval — the remainder, are very feeble, and I have, therefore, ordered Lieut. Commdg Le Roy, to take in supplies, and to sail soon, for Little Fish Bay, and other salubrious places, South of this.

The Steamer "Sumpter, sailed on

Hon.
Secretary of the Navy,
Washington
D.C.

on a Cruise, on the 6th inst.: The "San Jacinto," also lost one man, during her late Cruise, from which She returned, on the 4th inst.- She will finish, receiving her Supplies, and Sail by the 11th inst. The Sloop "Saratoga," Commander Taylor, will remain here, for some time, to refit and Refit, after her last, long and successful Cruise, of three Months.

I Considered it important, that My Report to the Department, No 157, dated 1st of May, instant, Should be received, as soon as possible, and determined, to dispatch the Sloop "Portsmouth," to the Island of St. Helena, to avail of the quick Conveyance, by the fast Sailing Indiamen, which frequently touch there, at this time of Year, on their way to the U. S. A Report, made by the Surgeon of the "Portsmouth," of the Appearance of Slavery on board, accorded with her destined Visit, to a Cooler and healthier temperature.

My own health, has been im-
-proved, by the heat and rains, which

— have

have prevailed, since the 1st of February, and I shall Hoist my Flag, temporarily, from this Ship, to the "Portsmouth," and proceed, this Evening, in her to St. Helena.

While there, I shall give my Attention, to endeavor to procure, a small addition, to the funds, for the use of the Squadron, and to ascertain, the, possibility, of obtaining a temporary supply, of Bread, from the Stores, kept at the Island, for use of British Cruisers.

In the Meantime, the "Constellation," Commanded by Captain Nicholson, will Cruise, in prevention of the Slave trade; and She will return to this port, about the 1st of next Month, when I shall Rehoist my Flag, on board of her; hence, the Stay of the "Portsmouth," at St Helena, will be limited to a few days.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt Servt

M. Perry
Flag Officer

9 July 1b

No 163. U.S. Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda,
June 11th 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to inform the Department, that I returned here in the Sloop of War "Portsmouth", on the morning of the 7th instant, from the Island of St Helena; where, during our stay of eight days, I effected the several objects intended by my visit set forth in mine No 162.

Yesterday, I re-hoisted my flag on board the "Constellation", which, in my absence, has been on a Cruise: during which, she captured, on the 21st of May, and sent to the United States, the American Brig "Triton", report of which was sent by Capt. Nicholas, in the prize to the Sloop of Replacement.

The Sloop "Saratoga" arrived

Com.

Gideon Welles

Secretary of the Navy

Steamer "Sampler" arrived here - The Steamers "San Salvio" and "Mystic", after being supplied with Coal, will sail this week, and will soon be followed by the Flag Ship and the Victorious.

The Steamer "Mohican", arrived here on the 9th instant from the Cape de Verd Islands. She will be Docked and Repaired, and will then proceed to Cruise.

All the Stores remaining in the Store House, were embarked on board the Store Ship "Relief" on the 29th of May Ultimo, as intended by the report to the Department, in my No 150, dated April 4th 1861.

I have received from the Department your Printed Papers, viz, Copy of the Contraband Proclamation Bill, and the General Orders for Flags of Flag Officers, which Generals are present - for Uniforms of Engineers; and placing

- Lieuts

257
0

and Midshipmen on Retired Pay and other Officers.

I regret I am not able to report the Blockade of this Port by the Vessels under my Command, as the Weather has been so boisterous that no Vessel could approach the Coast, and the Gales have been of such long duration, that it has been impossible to keep the Ships off the Land, a day for the Line, and as often has it been impossible to see the Land, that it has been in Sight 11 days.

The General Assembly of the Province, is expected to meet on the 15th of June next, and I have reason to believe that the Legislature will then pass an Act, for the Cession of the Cape de Verd Islands, which is fully obviated by the present Short Cruise there of the "Mohican".

I, therefore, beg to enquire, whether

- etc

No. 114. Naval Hospital Contraband
St. Paul de Loanda
June 11th 1861

Sir:

I have the honor to submit herewith a Roll of the Officers on board the Vessels of this Squadron, and to enable them to make Captures, I directed the following Commissions, viz:

From the "San Jacinto" to the "Saratoga" on the 10th of June 1861, Lieutenant W. T. Truxtun.

From the "Constellation" to the "San Jacinto," on the 10th of June 1861, Lieutenant H. McC. T. Wiggins.

From the "San Jacinto" to the "Dungeness," on the 10th of June 1861, Lieutenant C. H. Craig.

From the "Dungeness" to the "San Jacinto" — Lieutenant

Hon:
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

The Letter of the Lieutenant, as for the Weight of the Bone, of Ivory & other Things, he sent as previously in Time to leave at Liverpool on the 25th of the Month, for Canada & Home

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

[signature]

Flag Officer
Commdg. U.S. Naval Forces on the

"San Jacinto," on the 10th of June 1861,
Lieutenant S. D. Greene.

The two latter Officers were permitted to exchange with the consent of their Commanders, because Lieut. Young had previously served as Executive Lieutenant of the "San Jacinto," and was of necessity succeeded by Lieut. Wright, from the "Constellation," which ship had more Officers than any other.

Lieut. Greene was a young Lieut. and had served a long time in the "Pacific," which, from her arrangement, as a steamer, with two small Guns and sails, gave small opportunity for professional experience and improvement.

Lieut. Young will find a station Executive Lieutenant in a significant service.

The recruiting of Officers in the Academy, though much short of complement, are very steady,

and regular. According to the rules and requirements of the Navy.

I have,

very respectfully
Your Ob. Servant.

By
John Rodgers
Flag Officer
Commanding Pacific Squadron.

260
V

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
June 11th 1861

Sir.

I have the honor to inform the Department, that Medical Cases, have been applied for, and both, upon Captain Seth L. Nicholas, and Fleet Surgeon Thomas H. Smith, attached to this Ship.

In both Cases, Reports, Copies of which are enclosed, were made, stating, that the condition of their health, required them, to go on this Station; and that their disease, occurred "in the line of duty."

Each of these Officers, requested permission, to return home, via Lisbon, and England; and as I knew of no public Vessel, being about to leave this Station, I thought there no objection

— Lake

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
Port de France
June 12th 1851

Sir

I have continued Marks of Severe Rheumatic Affections. I feel that if I remain longer upon this Coast that Rheumatism will become with me a Chronic Affection.

I have every day more to fear all about my person frequently is severe that it is difficult for me to walk about the decks without lettering. I have not received a letter since Rio Grove caused to be sending to the U. S. Ship.

I therefore respectfully request that a Medical Survey may be held on me, at your earliest convenience.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Your Obt. Servt.

J. Sutherland
Captain

To
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith, the Log of the "San Lazaro," to Fernando Po, and thence, via Liverpool, to the United States.

On their arrival there, they have ordered, to report in writing, to the Department, and to transmit to it, a copy of their Orders.

I am,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant.

J. Inman

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Forwarded
Mc A Dornin
Captain

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
off St Paul de Loanda
June 12th 1861.

Gentlemen.

Agreeably to the foregoing requisition of Captain John L. Nicholas, You will hold a Strict and Careful Medical Survey upon him, and will report thereon in Triplicate for your decision.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Surgeon. John L. Messersmith U. S. Steamer "Sanlac"
Pd. Asst. Surgeon. C. F. Yates. U. S. Steamer "Constellation"
Asst. Surgeon. D. Kindleberger U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth"

U. S. Steamer Constellation
at Loanda
June 13. 1861.

In obedience to your order of the 12th inst. we have held a strict and careful medical survey upon the person of Captain John L. Nicholas, and have carefully examined into his antecedents and reports as follows: He is suffering from Chronic Rheumatism and general debility, which took its rise from long exposure, and are probably being aggravated by the influence of climate. The disease has evidently been contracted in the line of duty, and its duration is uncertain. In our opinion he is unfit for service on this station.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servts
Thos. L. Messersmithe
Surgeon U.S.N.
Chas. F. Yates
P. A. Surgeon
David Kindleberger
Asst. Surgeon

Flag Officer
William Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Private

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda. June 13th 1861

Sir:

I have to report that Fleet Surgeon L. Smith for the past four months has been affected with Defect of Vision and morbid sensibility to light chiefly of right eye which has not been permanently benefitted by treatment & for the past fortnight has become more apparent.

I would therefore respectfully request that his case may be brought before a Medical Board of Survey.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Jno. M. Browne
P. A. Surgn.

Flag Officer
Wm. Smith,
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 14th 1861.

Gentlemen

Agreeably to the foregoing Request and Precept of Pd. Asst. Surgeon John M. Brownell, I have held a strict and careful Naval Medical Survey upon Asst. Surgeon Thomas L. Smith, and do certify that the said Thomas L. Smith, has been under my observation for the last three months, during which time he has been attached to this Ship, and has performed the duties of Assistant Surgeon to the Squadron.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]
Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Surgeon John C. Mepsamith. U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Pd. Asst Surgeon. C. F. Yates. U. S. Steamer "Mystic"
Asst Surgeon David Kindleberger. U. S. Sloop Portsmouth

U. S. S. Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda
June 14. 1861.

Sir,

In obedience to your instructions of this day I have held a strict and careful Naval Survey upon Asst. Surgeon Thomas L. Smith, and do certify that he is afflicted with disease of the eye, of some months standing - the precise nature of which cannot be ascertained - there is incipient opacity of the right eye, and consequently considerable defect of vision - unfitting him to fight, thereby rendering him unable to perform the duties of his station - and in our opinion he ought to vacate his station by the earliest opportunity.

Very respectfully
Your obt. servts

Thos. L. Smith
Asst. Surgeon

Chas. F. Yates
P.A. Surgeon

David Kindleberger
Asst. Surgeon

No. 5
0

166.

U. S. Steamer St. Paul, Key West, June 2nd 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department by Captain Nicholson, late Commanding this Ship, that on the 22d of May last, in regard to the prompt and efficient co-operation with Lieutenant and party from his Vessel, by Captain Bedinghaus of the Majesty's Steamer "Niger."

On the 30th of May, Captain Bedinghaus again rendered valuable co-operative service, by proceeding in the "Prometheus" to Charlotte Port, and thence to Indian Creek, on Key West, in company with the U. S. Steamer "Tempest," Lieut. Commdg James F. Armstrong.

The latter has informed me

— of

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington

of this instigation to Captain Bedingfield for having kindly, in person, piloted the "Empress" up the Congo to the territories at Punta da Lenha, and back again. During which time, he evinced the most Zealous desire that a fierce Capture might be made by the "Empress."

I am happy to add, that Captain Nicholas, in this Ship, had it in his power to impart to Captain Bedingfield such information, as led to the seizure, by the "Prometheus," on the 25th of May, off Loanda, of the Spanish Schooner "Jacinta" by which the embarcation of the slaves, prepared for her, was prevented.

Sir Henry F. Huntley, Her Majesty's Acting Commissioner at Loanda, has communicated to Captain Thomas H. Wemyss, Senior Officer in my absence, his gratification with the Service, thus mutually rendered by Her Majesty's Ships and those of the United States engaged in the suppression of the Slave Trade on this Coast.

And I shall avail myself of the first opportunity to make to the Commodore Commanding Her Majesty's Ships on this Coast, a Complimentary Communication on this Subject.

I am,

My Respectfully
Your obt. Servant

Flag Officer,
Comdg H.M. African Squadron.

Ans. 13 Jun

1861

No. 207

U. S. Steamship Wabash
St. Paul de Loanda
June 25th 61

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department, that about the 15th of August 1860, the U. S. Steamer Sumpter, of this Squadron, then Commanded by Lieut. Comdg Jno. M. Stuart, called off Cammna, in Lat. 19° 5. Long. 8° 38' E. West Coast of Africa; and during a brief stay, Lieut. Comdg Stuart, communicated with Mr. R. B. Lawlin, an American Citizen having a trading establishment on an island in the River, the entrance to which is at Cammna.

About the 1st of April 1861, Commander Godon, in the Steamer "Iroquois" called off Cammna, and communicated by letter with Mr. Lawlin.

On the 11th of April last I

— received —

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington

Enclosed is a copy, marked C, of that treaty and the instructions, &c.,

under which it was negotiated.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble servant,

[signature]

Hon. [illegible]
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

enclosed from Mr. Saurin the letter, copy of which is enclosed, marked A, relating his commercial relations with the people of Sep[t]. Amos Bishop & Co. of New York, asking the occasional presence or use of the Amadeus, and for official aid to give stability to their agreement. Treaty, he had made with the King and Chiefs of the Bonday.

Accordingly on the 6th of May last, I addressed an Order in Council, marked B, to which Treaty was annexed Mr. Armstrong, commanding the H.M. Steamer "Cygnet" in Fredericksburg Mr. Saurin, he visited - H. Saurin, at Gamma, on the 13th of May, and on the 15th, the Declaration appended to the Agreement or Treaty, was signed by Mr. Richard S. Saurin and four Chiefs of the Gamma County, in the presence of Lieut. Brandy Armstrong, who signed and sealed it as a Witness.

— H.E. Elliot.

Copy. A

Gamma, March 19, 1861.

To the Commanding Officer
of the first U.S. Ship stopping at
Fernando Po.

The undersigned a Citizen of the United States and Agent at Gamma for Messrs James Bishop & Co of the City of New York, desires to acquaint the Commander-in-Chief of this Station, that being entirely alone, unprotected only by the good will of the Chiefs of this place. That he has an establishment situated low an Island in the River entrance to which is at Fernando Vas. that Communication may be had nearest at the Beach Station Lat. 1°27' N. Long. 8°58' E. that having recently made an important Agreement or Treaty in writing with the King and Chiefs of all the Gamma Country giving him a sole right to purchase an Article of his own discovery in this Region of Country, feels the presence of a U.S. Ship of the most importance to give Stability to the thing, as was created by a visit in August last made by Lieut. Commdg Jno. B. Stewart in U.S. Steamer "Sumpter" before said Treaty was effected. he feels therefore, that this request will be granted as benefits arising is not merely personal but to the Country of which he is bound of being a Citizen, he feels also his Countrymen will not neglect him and leave him thus unprotected, the more so when he informs them that Messrs Jas. Bishop & Co have recently informed him that they had Communicated with the Navy Department

Department, and he trusts that instructions will
be received by the Commander-in-Chief soon
upon me. He would further say, that he consi
ders it be the most important moment that have a
of one of the Ships, that he has been over a yea
making said Treaty at a great expense. Trusts
soon to see some of Brg Countrymen Remain
With due Consideration
Respectfully,
(Signed) R. E. Lawlin

A Small Amer. Ensign will be displayed at
beach where will be seen a Single Lant.
(Signed) R. E. L

True Copy. Alexander Stewart
Flag Officers Secretary

B.

"Extract"

U. S. Flag Ship "Constitution"
At Sant Alexandria, May 6th 1861.

"Keeping these Objects in View, you
will visit Canina, or Lamun Bay, near to which
at a Beach Station, Reported to be in Lat. 11° 2' S,
Long. 8° 38' E, is the Establishment of an American,
Mr. R. E. Lawlin, Agent for Messrs James Bishop & Co
of the City of New York.

"Enclosed herewith, for your guidance, re
Copies of two letters dated March 19th and April 1st
1861, from Mr. Lawlin. If practicable, you will
Communicate with him, and then Remain a
Reasonable Space of time, as may be necessary,
to meet his wishes to obtain the presence of an
Officer (properly attended) to witness the Acknow-
-ledgement of a Treaty made between him
and the Natives."

I am Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Capt. Comdg
James P. Armstrong
Comdg U.S. Steamer "Constitution"
Loanda.

True Copy. Alexander Stewart
Flag Officers Secretary

271
0

C.

Articles of Agreement, or Treaty made a-
-ke Grand Banda at Egalla Wande between
Richard Edmondstone Sawlin of the City of
New York in the United States of America
and King Kongoondo, Sovereign of the
Gamma Country together with the Chiefs of
the Seventy to whom Richard Edmondstone
Sawlin aforesaid hereafter by him and
said Gamma Country and as well as all others
the said Richard Edmondstone Sawlin may
further discover that is to say that the said
Edmondstone Sawlin shall have the sole right of
purchasing the same from the Chiefs or Natives
gathering or collecting the same. That at
present the Article of Rubber or gum Elastic
being one of the Articles, that discovered by
him no person shall dispose of the same
Rubber or Gum Elastic to other than him on
pain of having his Village burned and his
property otherwise confiscated. And it is
distinctly understood that the said King
Richard Edmondstone Sawlin shall erect
his factory with Assortment of goods and his
Branches or Agencys supplied, portions of
his discoverys shall be sold to Chiefs by him
Sawlin and his Agents or Factors authorized
by him for the purchase of the same and for
Consideration of which said Sawlin shall pay

for

for every Vessel he shall load there with the usual Customs One hundred Dollars and bear the expenses attending this Grand Banda or Meeting. We further promise to protect and give him access to all parts of this Country for purposes of discovering any Articles that be discovered in this Region for the Advancement of Trade and Commerce of this Country and the King Rogoondo and Chiefs do further agree that this shall be binding on our part for a term of fifty Years from date, with a privilege of further renewal to said Richard Edmondston Lawlin, his heirs or Assigns. Given under my hand at the Grand Banda held at Egalla Mande in the Country of Bamma this tenth day of January in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Sixty one.

(Signed) Richd. E. Lawlin

his
King Rogoondo mark

his
Makaagaa Konde mark

his
Spidy mark

his
Konnella mark

his
Ozanga mark

his
Katimbo mark

Mombo

Bagdagoo

his
John Rongoondo mark

his
Soomtaa mark

Isembi Isomis do
I Certify as an
Witness to above
following Signatures
Sany 10th 1861
Isembi Isomis.

his
Saagalla mark.
his
Ochongy mark.
his
Kobogojaba mark
his
Ochongo mark
his
Osun Sade mark
his
Philip mark
his
Kay Sandi mark
his by Sorulia
Kamara mark
his
Kayyaagi mark
his
Davis Andrea mark
his
Archibo mark
his by Kayyilla
Kayloongo mark
his
Kayyyka mark
his by Kayyilla
Swaganna mark
his
Saagaga mark
his
Sawaka mark
his
Ollgoyo Gombi mark
his
Son Gamma mark
his
Pipagu Bola mark
his by Ollgoyo Bola
Galla Bele mark
his
Galla Ollgala mark.

The above is a true copy of an Agreement made between Richard Edmondston Lawlie of the City of New York in the United States of America and King Konoorado, the chief of all the Gamma Country together with his Chiefs, and we the undersigned do hereby declare, that the above

Agreement

Agreement, was made on the ~~10th~~ 6th day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty one, by the parties above stated in ~~the~~ ~~xxxx~~ one presence for the objects stated in the above agreement and with the mutual consent and free will of both parties.

In Witness Whereof &c.

I have signed our names on the fifteenth day of May One thousand eight hundred and fifty one, at Monterey Camma County.

(Signed) Nich^s E. Sanborn
(Signed) Natimbo his X mark
(Signed) Natimbo his X mark
(Signed) Guzzano his X mark
(Signed) Ygnatio Gonzales his X mark

The above declaration
med before me this
fifteenth day of May One
thousand Eight Hundred
d Fifty one.
Witness my hand and
Seal of the U. S. Steamer "Sumpter,"
(Signed) Jas. F. Armstrong
Lt. Comg

U. S.
Sumpter.

1868. U.S. Naval Academy
Annapolis, Md.
June 30th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to submit herewith, a certified Statement, made up this day, of Assistant Surgeon John M. Brown, Principal Medical Officer of the Academy.

I also wish to state, that Dr. Heath, in the line of duty, for three years, Lieutenant, Executive Officer of the Naval Academy.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

John Lenman

Surg. U.S.N.
Comdg. U.S. Naval Academy

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington D.C.

I hereby certify that James George,
who was a Landsman in the U.S. Navy, while
attached to U.S. Flag Ship Constellation, and
holding the rank above mentioned, Departed this
life On board U.S. Flag Ship aforesaid, St.
Paul de Loanda, West Coast of Africa, On the
twenty fourth Day of June, in the year 1861;
And that he Died of Remittent
as set forth in the record of his case, of
which the following is a copy, to wit:

James George, Landsman, was Admitted
for treatment June 14th 1861. With Disease, Remit-
tent Fever, was contracted at Loanda, while
in the performance of Duty. the early treat-
ment was attended with favorable Symptoms,
which Soon however were succeeded by
those warranting an unfavorable prognosis,
a malignity of type having supervened.
the rapidly sank. all remedies employed
being ineffectual to arrest the speedy pro-
gress of the malady. Violent Delirium
followed by Coma. of short Duration
immediately preceded Death.
This Disease had Origin in the line of Duty.

W. W. Browne
Pa Asst Surgeon

The above named James George Landon deceased. was born at St. Helena: about twenty three years of age: five feet two & one fourth inches high: black complexion, black eyes, black hair, and entered the Naval Service at Boston. Mass. On the 13th Day of June. in the year 1839.

Jno. Washington
Sgt. Master.

Approved:

No. 169.

U. S. Ship Constitution
St. Paul de Loanda,
July 1st 1861

Sir:

On the 15th of last June, I had the honor to submit to you a communication, dated February 23d 1861, from Commander J. P. Gordon, Comdg the U. S. Steamer "Mohican," on the subject of the Reception, at Loanda &c., of three Vessels captured by the Vessels of this Squadron. Which letter was addressed to Flag Officer Broadbent, Governor General, &c. &c. &c. de la Gandara, at Loanda &c. &c.

At the same time, I furnished to the Department a translation, of the Copy, of the latter, pieces.

I now enclose, a translation of a letter, addressed to me, by General Gandara, showing that the

Hon. Gideon Welles,
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

the Government of Spain, affirms the Offer of the Provincial Authorities.

I also send herewith, a Copy of my reply.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

John Guise

Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron.

obierno
de
ANDO POO
dependencias.

Fernando Po

Sir de la Gandara

U.S. Steamer
"Wyandotte"
Rio de Janeiro

Santa Isabel, Sept. 9th 1861.

Commodore:

I have the honor to inform you that I
was made known to the Governor of this Island
by Vice Consul Mackie, the circumstance of the
shipwreck of the Schooner "Golden Rule", on the
N.E. Coast, and the subsequent arrival of the
Crew, consisting of the Master, Mate, and
Seven Seamen at this port.

I have been authorized, by the Governor
of the Island, to receive the Officers and Crew
of the Schooner, and to provide for their
subsistence and transportation to the United
States, which will be effected by the first vessel of the U.S.
that may be ordered by the Consul of the U.S.
at Loanda, or Cape Town to the Island of
St Bartholomew.

The Master of the Schooner, Mr. [illegible]
being dissatisfied with the Understanding, which
I had made with the other Officers & Crew, on my part,
to share in the same manner as the Sentiments of Generosity
& Liberality manifested by the Inhabitants of this Island

I have &c &c &c

Capt. Jose de la Fontaura

Commodore W.m Inman
Comd.g U.S. Naval Forces
on the East Coast of Africa

1 Copy.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constitution"
At Port de Cavite
Sept 11th 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of Your Excellency, of the 8th inst., by which, I am informed, that the Queen of Spain, has appointed the Lieutenants, specified in Your Excellency's, to the vacancies, at Manila, by the resignations of the United States &c.

I shall take an early opportunity, to make the same known, to the Officers of the United States.

I have the honor to be, With great respect
of the most distinguished consideration
Your Obt Servt
Flag Officer
(Signed) W^m Mervine
Flag Officer Commanding the
of the U.S. Naval Forces
on the West coast of Africa

His Excellency
Manuel José de la Gándara
Governor General of the
Island of Fernando Poo
And its Dependencies

True Copy
W^m Mervine
Flag Officer Commanding

No. 1 Flagstaff Observatory
Circular Memorandum
July 5th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a letter from Captain Stokes, which explains itself, and to request that you will bring the matter under the notice of the Government.

On the 11th of June last I addressed Captain Stokes, informing him that I was directed by the Government to request that he would furnish me with a copy of such official correspondence as he might have had with the Government relative to the Observatory, and that I should be glad to receive it as soon as possible. I have not received any reply to that letter, a copy of which I now enclose, and I am therefore unable to say whether Captain Stokes has complied with my request or not.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) Edward Welles.
Secretary of the Observatory.

was stated — Which Captain Nicholas replied in a letter, marked D.

(Copy E)—

On that, I enquired in a letter, copy of which, marked E, is enclosed — except one paragraph, which it may not be desirable to publish, Nicholas's answer flatly denies the truth of the Representation, and, I think, I may safely, as he has returned to the United States, by Report of a Medical Survey, which has stated that his disease "occurred in the line of duty." Captain Nicholas, made no reply to

On the 18th of June, I learned that my Despatch was opened before, into the Admiral's Secret Order Book of the Ship, and, early the following morning, I caused to be issued, therein, an Order, Copy of which is enclosed, marked F. On the same day, the following words were written in large Characters across the Order, Complained of, over my Official Signature, Viz. "Expunged by my Order."

On the 19th inst. When in a Boat with Lieutenant Tattnall, on the way to visit the "San Jacinto," I informed him, in reference to his letter of the 11th of June, that there was no allusion to him, in the Statements complained of, & that they had been, for some reason, not in the Notice, two Officers more

Copy of

honest and accomplished, than my friend Lieutenant John K. Mitchell, of Penna.

I subjoined, herewith, by that Vessel, Copies of papers found on board the Vincennes, after she left Lieutenant Wm. Adams and, Copies from Lieutenant Wm. Walker — all Officers of this Ship. These papers will relate to the Order of Battle &c.

The Department will be pleased to observe, in my letter, marked E, a retrial Statement of the facts more generally, and the Order, remaining in force, that the Officers had been "permitted" to set an example of "disorganization, insubordination, and disobedience," in this our Service.

That the "discipline, duties" required and rules of the Service, were disregarded on board the "Constellation," I stated, as my Judgment, in Letter No. 1 — the Official" private Letter of which I have

The Complaints here, arose from an insubordination, on the part of Captain Nicholas, and completely subsided, by expunging the Order, by information to Lieutenants Tattnall and Johnston, and

by reposing Lieutenants Kilbird and Loyall, & Captain Nicholas after he had received our letter marked A.

It appears that he has not thought proper, to impart to them, the particular applicability of the order, as set forth in the Letter marked B.

Lieutenants Kilbird, Johnson and Loyall, have nevertheless conducted themselves, as openly while under my command and, if they anticipated, in the defect of discipline, and military observance, it was by reason, or example of those who immediately commanded them.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt Servant

John Shuman

Flag Officer
Brig Gl. Lafayette, Madison

Aug 31-1814

A

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

inspection at Quarters, Morning and Evening, every day

The Divisions of Great Guns, or small arms will be exercised, one division at a time, by the Officer commanding that Division, in port or at sea, Sundays excepted, unless bad Weather may prevent, every day except on Saturday and Sunday.

Smoking in the departments of the Officers, the Gun Deck, will not be permitted for the future.

The Captain and Executive Lieutenant must not be both absent from the ship at the same time.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African squadron

True copy. Standish Howard
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Copy B.

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 11. 1861.

Sir.

After having been nearly two years in command of this Ship, I have received from you this Morning a General Order, relating to the internal discipline, and it has been promulgated according to your General Order.

I will not attempt to reply to you in relation to this order of to day, but I will state that, in consequence of the very unsatisfactory and inefficient, and the disrespect due to my Office from the Officers and Men of this Ship, have been destroyed, and I beg respectfully to resign the Command of the Constellation into your hands, and request that I may be allowed to return to the United States.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) S. C. Nicholas
Captain.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Commanding U.S. African
Station. St. Paul de Loanda

True Copy. Standish Howard
Flag Officer Secretary

1865
6

No. C. U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
at Sea de Lanata, June 11th 1865.

Sir,

I have received your letter of this date, in which you state that, you have received and promulgated a General Order relating to Naval discipline &c.

The order addressed to you this morning, was not a General Order, nor did it imply that it was to be thus promulgated.

The order was a Special one addressed to you only - and with the confidential intention that its requirements were to be issued as your commands.

I regret that your inadvertance should have made public the whole of a letter, of which the phraseology was such, as I should have used publickly, only when making a public demand.

Under all the circumstances, I must require compliance with your request to resign your command, and to return to the United States.

I am, Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Svt.
(signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg U.S. African Squadron.

Jas. A. Nicholas
Lt. U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"

True Copy. Wm. Inman
Flag Officer

Copy. No. 17

H.M. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 11th 1861.

Sir,

Your letter of this date is received, and I respectfully beg that I cannot accept your construction of your order of this morning to me.

Consequences unforeseen that I made that order public - I did not understand it as a private expression to me, and it is usual in the Naval service to promulgate through the Executive Officer all such orders; otherwise their terms cannot be complied with.

I also look upon your communication as an order, in which every person on board of this Ship is implicated. I therefore placed it before every person and did see your opinion of their obligations.

This is the sixth Ship that I have commanded, and I cannot now change my views touching communications coming from you, not marked Private or Confidential.

You will not think it unfortunate in me, after what has been promulgated through the Navy, as to the Condition, that I should ask of you, and I do ask it emphatically, that a Board of Officers be ordered to come on board and examine this Ship in every way you may see fit. I think this request is due from me to you, and due to the Officers under my command.

I will here reiterate that I do not

Commence

Copy. E.

U.S. Flag Ship Constitution
Port Mahon, June 12th 1841.

Sir,

I have received your letter of this morning, containing remarks and propositions in regard to the order of yesterday, touching the discipline of this ship. That order speaks for itself, as to its character and purposes.

It was not in any sense a disparagement to you, or to others. It was not proper to make it confidential. It should have been obeyed and considered so by you, because ——— as it has, the loss of the respect and authority due to your station. My order, if tested on its judgment, would have unreasonable advocates.

The first paragraph is in the following words. "You have permitted the discipline, military observances and rules of the service established on board the Flag Ship Constitution, to become among her Officers, to such an extent as to have produced disorganization, disobedience and insubordination." All which are undeniable facts - for if they existed, you permitted by not preventing them.

"The discipline, military observances and rules

Captain
Chas. W. Nicholas
Comdg U.S. Flag Ship Constellation
Gibraltar

Copy. Captain Nicholas' letter of this date.

of the Service were set aside" as follows.

Articles 1st, 2d, 4th, 5th, 9th, 13th, 14th, and 18th, of "General Orders of the Squadron" were not complied with.

The regular Morning and Evening inspections of Officers were not kept up.

The Officers did not wear their uniforms habitually, even when on duty.

The Officer of the Watch was accused with often leaving the Lieutenant of the Watch in charge, in unbecoming attitudes, almost lying on the hen coops, while the Captain of the Ship was standing up talking to them.

Smoking was allowed in the Ward room.

"Disorganization, disobedience and insubordination were produced among the Officers." Orders were not respected, were slighted or disobeyed.

In addition to the disorganization previously described, the Executive Lieutenant first detailed to the Mess Officers a prominent example of insubordination and disobedience of Orders.

He was in the practice of placing himself beyond Command—by Orders to the Captain of the Ship previously set aside by him.

He has left the Ship, leaving orders with the Lieutenant of the Watch not to permit any of the crew of the Captain's boat to be absent when he knew, or should have known, that you permitted and I wished that temporary absence

—yo

When I was about to visit my Flag Ship at Vera Cruz, and you received orders to have the Ship upon deck, as I usual in the Harbor, to receive me, I caused to send to you a Message "to the Officers of the Watch" implying that I must have your attendance.

The Officers movements, under my orders, were several times embarrassed for the convenience of the Officers and their visitors.

That Executive Lieutenant positively refused to obey an order from me, and would have been tried by Court Martial, only for your intercession and his apology.

Not sensible to this forbearance, he refused to attend, as you informed me, to get the Ship under way in the manner you did, thereby preventing the detention in port, more than a week after I had ordered her to sea.

It is my duty to keep order in the Squadron, and the Flag Ship should not offer such example among to the others.

It is my [illegible] to succeed and meet the Vessels under my Command. In the United States Boards of Officers are appointed for that purpose.

In conclusion you must return to the United States, cannot be continued with me.

If you desire it I will order an investigation, of your Command, since the Ship left

Forwarded By

Captain U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loando West Coast Africa
13th June 1861

To The
Honorable
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy -
Sir:

I regret the necessity which constrains my appearing before the Department as a complainant, especially when, as in the present instance, the Official against whom I am forced to bring charges fills a position an occupant of which I would ever regard as a military example, and as the calm dispenser of justice to all under his command.

I charge Flag Officer Wm Inman, Commanding the U.S. African Squadron, with having usurped a prerogative of Naval General Court Martial, in arrogating to himself the power of Official reprimand, set forth in the following paragraph of an official communication addressed to Captain John S. Nicholas, Commanding this ship, and published, for the information of every individual Officer

exhibited
and man attached to the "Constellation"
"Can have permitted the discipline, manners
"observances and rules of the service, to be
"aside on board of the Flag Ship Constellation
"especially among the officers, to such an ext
"as to have produced disorganization,"
"disobedience, and insubordination".

I further
charge Flag Officer Wm. Inman, Commanding
the U. S. African Squadron, with having
falsely and injuriously charged me,
the above quoted paragraph, with
"disorganization", "disobedience" and
"insubordination".

I hold my reputation too
dear - to quietly submit any Official to
wantonly and unauthorizedly brand
character as an officer in General, Ship
or private ordres or reports, and I
alone, it appears, indebted to the
action of my immediate Commanding
Officer, Captain Nicholas - for a knowledge
through the "Flag Order Book", of the
insidious attack on my Official standing
made by Flag Officer Wm. Inman in
document which must be placed upon
the records of the Department - In
to the Department for justice and
protection I feel myself secure

an anticipation of both - and I respectfully
request, should the Department place
sufficient value upon the expressed
opinion of Flag Officer Wm. Inman touching
my official character - that I may be required
to render a strict account of my conduct
before a proper military Tribunal -

I am Sir.
Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Jno. R. T. Tallman
1st Lieut U. S. Marines
Comdg Marines U. S. African Squadron.

Respectfully Yours
Geo. Gibbs

Lieut. U.S.A. Asst. Quartermaster

Office Asst Quartermaster
Seattle June 15th 1853

Sir

I respectfully request that the accompanying papers may be transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury for the action of the Department upon the accounts and vouchers to which the same have reference.

I am with respect
Your Obt. Servt.
R. Johnson
Lieut U.S.A.

Hon Secretary
of the Treasury
Washington City

2.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda, June 12th 1861.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron.
Sir:

In an order dated June 11th, 1861, addressed by you to Capt. John S. Nicholas, you state - "You have permitted the discipline, Military observances, and rules of the Service, to be set aside on board the Flag Ship "Constellation", especially among the Officers, to such an extent as to have produced disorganization, disobedience, and insubordination."

I, as an Officer of this ship, respectfully but emphatically deny the charge which you prefer against me in the above paragraph, and request that my conduct may be investigated by a proper Board of Officers.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) P. C. Johnson
Lieut. U. S. N.

294
0

No. 3.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
June 12th, 1861

Sir:

I have received your letter of this date, in which you state, that charges have been preferred against you, and you request that your conduct may be investigated, &c.

No charge having been preferred against you, your request will not be complied with.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron.

Lieutenant
P. C. Johnson
U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda.

4.

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda, June 13th 1861.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg. U.S. African Squadron.
Sir:

I have received your letter dated June 12th, 1861, in reply to mine of the same date.

You state that no charge has been preferred against me.

I have to reply, that the order referred to, in my letter of yesterday's date, still remains on the "Flag Order Book" of this ship.

That book is open to the inspection every individual attached to this Squadron; And there as one of the Officers of this ship, am publicly accused of "disorganization, disobedience, and insubordination."

Until, in the same public manner there is something to show that I am not included in the general accusation, the charge remains against me.

I therefore respectfully request that a copy of your reply to my letter of the 12th inst.

/may

may be inserted in the "Flag Order Book" of this ship
or that I may, in some other public manner be exone-
from the charges contained therein.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
P. C. Johnson
Lieut.

(Signed)

5.

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
June 13th, 1861

Sir.

I have received your letter of to-day, in reference to a General Order, dated 11th of June inst., which appeared on the Ship's Order Book.

An Order has been made to-day in the Order Book, shewing that the Order of the 11th instant, ought not to have been placed there, and it has been officially expunged from the Book.

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron

Lieutenant
P. C. Johnson
U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda.

2970

Enq. 1.

U. S. S. "Constellation"
St Paul de Loando
June 12th. 1861.

Sir:

In an order addressed to Capt. J. J. Nicholas, which was issued in this Ship yesterday, there is the following language - "You have permitted the discipline, Military Observances, and Rules of the Service to be set aside on board the Flag Ship "Constellation", especially among the Officers, to such an extent as to have produced disorganization, disobedience and insubordination.

This directly reflects upon the Official Conduct of every Officer in the Ship, And, As I am perfectly innocent of having committed any Act of "insubordination", "disorganization" or "disobedience", I respectfully, but unequivocally, repel the accusation, and will be pleased at any proper examination into all my Official Conduct.

I Am,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) R. P. Loyall.
Lieut.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Copy 2

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
June 12th, 1861.

Sir.

I have received your letter of this day's date, as to expressions used in an Order inscribed yesterday in the Ship's Order Book, by direction of Capt. Nicholas.

You are referred to him for information on that subject.

I am,
Very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman.
Flag Officer
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron

Lieutenant
B. P. Loyall
U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
Loanda.

2770

3

U. S. F. Constellation
St Paul de Loando
June 13. 1861.

Sir.

In compliance with your communication of yesterday, referring me to Capt. Nicholas for explanations concerning an order issued in this ship on the 11th. inst: I addressed to him the enclosed letter and received from him the enclosed reply.

In the opinion of Capt. Nicholas your General Order of to day "Completely exonerates me from any implication", which I had supposed reflected on me by your order of the 11th. inst., but as I cannot agree with him I must again refer to you.

I will state respectfully, that the withdrawal of your order from the General Order Book of the ship does not in any way diminish the severity of the undeserved judgment you were pleased to pass upon the Officers of this ship, and so long as I am unaware, that your order of the 11th. inst. remains in the hands of Capt. Nicholas I feel sorely wronged, and ask, from your hand an acknowledgement that no attack nor accusation against my character as an Officer was intended by the order of the 11th. inst., addressed to Captain Nicholas.

I am
Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) H. D. Loyall
Lieut.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

300

U. S. Brig Ship Constellation
Loanda, June 13th 1845

Sir.

I accompanying this I enclose a letter from Flag Officer Inman which I respectfully commend to your attention.

I beg that you will explain to me the expressions used in the order referred to.

I am
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
(Signed) H. D. Loyall
Lt.

Captain
John L. Nicholas
U. S. Ship Constellation

No. 5.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St Paul de Loando June 13th 1861.

Sir.

In reply to your communication of this morning, I send you a Copy of the Flag officers Order of to-day which in my judgement completely exonerates you from any implication which you had supposed, had been reflected on you in that Order.

I am
With Great respect
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed C. S. Nicholas
Captain

Lieut.
B. P. Lynch
U. S. S. Constellation

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St Paul de Loanda, June 13th, 1861.

-Order.

The Captain and Officers of the "Constellation" are informed, that a Copy of a Special order dated 4th inst. S. F., bearing my Signature, has been published, as a General Order, in the order Book of this ship,

without my direction or consent.

I therefore, hereby, direct [illegible] immediate removal, of that order, from the ship's [illegible] Book.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commander-in-Chief
of the U.S. Naval [illegible]
On the West Coast of [illegible]

A true Copy
(Signed) J.S. Nicholas
Captain.

302
0

No. 6.

U.S. Flag Ship Constellation
Port de Landa
June 21st 1846.

Sir

I have rec'd your letter of the 20th accompanied by a communication to you, from Captain Nicholas, on the subject of the publication, of a General Order of the 8th instant.

That order has been officially expunged from the Ship's book to day upon which there is another order stating that it was placed there without my direction or consent.

In my letter of yesterday I referred you to Captain Nicholas for information.

Having done so, I have subjected myself to a charge now in the right.

I am
very respectfully
Your Obt Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval forces on the
Pacific Ocean.

Lieutenant
J.P. Boyall
U.S. Flag Ship Constellation,
Landa.

303
6

No. 7

Flag Ship Constellation
Aboard, June 8th 861

Sir

I have received your letter of the 15th inst. in which you express yourself as satisfied with having placed me in the right.

I would respectfully reply that the expression of satisfaction on your part, has not satisfied me for the injury, already set forth in previous letters.

I should think, with all due respect for you that when an unintentional wrong has been done a person officer, by one high in authority, he would be willing to make a ready acknowledgement to the person.

As my feelings are to be somewhat considered in this matter, and as it seems in vain to look for anything more satisfactory at your hands, I respectfully ask that you will forward the accompanying letters, marked from 1 to 7 inclusive, to the Hon. Secretary of the Navy, who I trust will not fail to see that I have done all in my power to obtain redress from him.

All that I have said grows entirely out of a sense of my duty as Lieutenant in the Navy of the United States.

I am, very Respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) W. F. Royall
Lieut.

To Officer
Com Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Copy

U. S. Ship Constellation
Boston June 12th 1861

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg. African Squadron
Sir

I have the honor of Rec'd 11th 1861 addressed to Capt. John F. Nicholas, and by him communicated to the officers of this ship containing paragraph as follows - "You have permitted the discipline, military observance and rules of the service to be set aside on board the Flag ship Constellation, Especially among the officers, to such an Extent as to have produced disorganization disobedience and insubordination."

I respectfully request an investigation of my conduct since serving on board this ship -

Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
A C Rhind
Lieut. Com'd

Copy

H. S. Flag ship Constitution
St. Paul de Loanda
June 12th 1861

Sir

I have received your letter of this days date as to expressions used in an order inserted Yesterday in the ships order book by direction of Captain Archibald — You are referred to him for information in that matter

I am Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt.

(Sigd) Wm. Truman
Flag officer
Comdg U.S. Squadron

Lieut A.C. Rhind
H.S. Flag Ship Constellation
Loanda —

3.305

Copy

H. S. S. Constellation
Loanda June 12th 1861

The enclosed communication of Flag Officer Truman refers me to you for information Concerning the order promulgated by you to the officers of this ship — Will you please inform me whether I am to consider the order referring to me in any way as to any Charge of misconduct, disobedience of organization has been or can be made against me

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
A.C. Rhind
Lieut —

To Captain
D. S. Mercer
U.S. Steamer Constellation

Copy

300
6

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St Paul de Loanda
June 14th 1861

Sir

Your Communication of 12th inst has this day been received and would have been replied to, had I not been overwhelmed with business in relation to my transfer from this ship - In reply to the Exception which you have taken of the Flag Officers General Order of the 11th inst, I enclose you a copy of the Flag Officers Order of Yesterday

I am very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(signed) D. L. Nicholson
Captain

Lieut. A. C. Rhind
U. S. S. Constellation

Copy

H. M. Ship Constellation
at Port de Grande
June 13th 1861

Order

The Captain and officers of the "Constellation" are informed that a copy of a special order dated 11th inst bearing my signature has been published as a General order, in the order book of this ship untomb my direction or consent.

I therefore hereby direct the immediate removal of that order from the ships order book

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag officer
Commander in Chief of the
H.M. Naval Forces W.C. China

order to Mr. Hennessy, is, in Compliance with the Request of Commander Godon (as per Copy sent), that Mr. Hennessy may now in his own Name, perform the duties hitherto performed by Power of Attorney, for Paymaster Abbot, viz- to accept for provisions, Stores &c, and to account to the proper Department for their just Value.

On the 8th instant, I received from the Officers of the "Mohican" a respectful written report, that they were much straitened for money, and asking that some arrangement might be made, by which they could receive their pay.

Conversation issued to Commander J. W. Godon, the order, (Copy enclosed) to place funds in the hands of Mr. Wm Hennessy, acting Pay master, and to

-- Supervise --

Supervise their disbursement.

I am,

Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.

[signature]

Flag Officer,
Commdg U. S. Steam Squadron.

U. S. S. "Mohican"
At Pensacola,
June 12th 1866

Sir,

I beg leave to call your attention again to the subject of the Vacancy of Paymaster on board this ship.

The provisions, small stores &c for the "Mohican" since the absence of Paymaster Abbot, have been received and receipted for by the Ward Room Paymaster's Clerk, for Paymaster Abbot, by virtue of a power of Attorney, which Paymaster Abbot executed to Mr. Hennessey - These invoices have been issued in Mr. Abbot's name and credited in the ship books. Mr. Hennessey has now been notified, that Mr. Abbot in his leave of Attorney, the ships books, in Paymaster Abbot's name, will therefore have to be suspended.

I earnestly request, that Mr. Hennessey may receive an order from you, directing those duties now in his own name, to receipt for provisions, Stores &c, and to account to the proper department for their just issue.

He can then open a set of books, based upon a settlement of Paymaster Abbot's books, And the ships accounts may thus be properly continued, and until a Paymaster can be furnished, relieve the "Mohican" from difficulties that have now endured for more than a year.

I am, very respectfully,

U. S. Flag Ship "Hartford"
At Sea, June 12th 1864

Sir:

You will take charge of the Signal Department on board the "Metacom", by medical advice, from about the 19th of April next.

You will keep a regular log of the Signal Department & communications, making for a Paymaster & the orders of the "Metacom", which his services may require, & you will not permit any person to enter the Signal Department without orders from the Flag Officer or Paymaster.

Therefore, as you will be more pressing in the discharge of the duties of the Paymaster's Department on board the "Metacom" you are hereby ordered to perform the duties of Signal Officer until further orders, at the pleasure of the Flag Officer.

Very respectfully, Your Obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Gamble
Flag Officer Comdg. W. Gulf Blockading Squadron

To Wm Hennessey
Paymaster's Clerk
U.S. Steamer "Metacom"
Mobile

True Copy. Wm Gamble
Flag Officer Comdg.

Lieut Commdr
Signed J. W. Godon
Commander

Flag Officer
Wm Gamble
Comdg W.G. Blockading Squadron

True Copy. Wm Gamble
Flag Officer Comdg.

312

(1)

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

No 175. U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Sea, July 9th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor, to acknowledge the receipt, of Communications from the Department, addressed to Lieuts: Commdg Wm E. LeRoy, and to Lieuts: Abbot and Crosman, which have been forwarded.

I have also received for distribution, Navy Registers for the year 1861, together with the letter of advice thereof, dated May 23d 1861; being the only Communication, I have received from the Hon: Gideon Welles, as Secretary of the Navy.

The General health, in the Squadron, is not Satisfactory. Officers and men, perform duty cheerfully; Yet fever cases, are more frequent, and convalescence is difficult, under the effect of Continuance in this Climate.

Medical Surveys have been applied for, and held, on board the

- U. S.

Hon: Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington

U.S. Sloop "Portsmouth," upon Surgeon Charles D. Maxwell, and Paymaster John A. Bates. Copies are forwarded herewith, of the Report in each Case; and those Officers, have been accordingly, ordered to return, by private Conveyance, to the U.S., and to report, as directed by the Regulations.

The Sloop "Saratoga" is at Sea, and the Steamers "San Jacinto," "Sumpter," "Mystic" and "Mohican", will proceed to Cruise, after receiving Supplies. The Sloop "Portsmouth" will follow immediately after, the transfer of the public property in his Charge, by Paymaster Bates - to Mr. Edward St. Clair Clarke, Commanders Clerk, of the "Portsmouth."

I have issued to the latter, the order (Copy enclosed) to perform temporarily, the duty of Paymaster in the "Portsmouth." Commander Colhoun, having recommended him for that duty; in a letter, Copy of which, is appended to the order to Mr. Clarke, and sent herewith.

— I

I have received, from Lieut. Comdg James F. Armstrong, Comdg the Steamer "Sumpter", the Report of his Capture, on the 14th of June 1861, of the Brig "Falmouth," understood to be American. A Report, with the necessary papers, were transmitted by Lieut. Comdg Armstrong, to the Navy Department, and sent in the Prize, which was placed in charge of Lieut. George F. Young.

There are now short of Complement in this Squadron -

1 Captains, 7 Lieutenants, 4 Lieutenants of Marines, 1 Fleet Surgeon, 1 Surgeon, 2 Paymasters, 6 Masters, 13 Midshipmen, and 1 Sail-Maker. Thirty Six (36) Officers, and 150 Seamen and 16 Marines, all of whom are much wanted.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron -

U.S. Ship Constitution
at Liverpool G.B.
24th September 1860

Sir,

In obedience to your order of the 1st inst. I have visited and examined Seaman Wm. Maxwell, at this ship, and find him affected with Malaria, caused by the usual attacks of the fever. His nervous system is very much disturbed, producing a state of restlessness and inability to sleep attended with severe pains in the head and eyes at night. His digestive organs are in a very torpid condition, and at times, there are indications of hepatic disease. All the above symptoms are aggravated during the hot season. I therefore, consider him unfit for service on this station, and ought to return to the United States as soon as it may be expedient.

Very respectfully, Your obdt. Servt.
(Thos. S. Nesbitt M.D.)
Surgeon

Surgeon
U.S. Ship Constitution
Flag Officer
Wm. Inman,
Cmdg. U.S. African Squadron

Asst. Surgeon
Wm. Day
P.A. Surgeon

Commanded
J. W. Cockburn
Commander

N. I. S. Portsmouth

3/64

Loanda, July 6th 1864

Sir,

Having suffered repeated attacks of fever on this station during the last two years and seeing no probability, under existing circumstances of this Ship being ordered home, for an indefinite period, I beg to request that a Medical Survey may decide on the propriety of my obtaining longer leave of absence

I am very respectfully
Chas. D. Maxwell
Surgeon

Commander
Jno. Colhoun
Comdg.

I have the honor to request that the above application for a Medical Survey upon Surgeon Maxwell may be granted

Officers Mess Room
Comdg. W.C. African Squadron

Jno. Colhoun
Commander.

Forwarded
Thos H Dornin
Captain

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda
July 6th 1861.

Gentlemen:

You will hold a Strict and Careful Medical Survey upon Surgeon Charles D. Maxwell, attached to the U. S. Sloop "Portsmouth", and you will report to me in Triplicate your decision.

I am, Very Respectfully
Your Ob't Servt.

Flag Officer
Cmdg U. S. African Squadron

Surgeon John S. Mepeasmith — U. S. Sh. "San Jacinto"
Pl. Assist. Surgeon C. F. Fahs. — U. S. St. Mohican
P. Assist. Surgeon W. M. Page — U. S. Store Ship "Relief"

317

U. S. Ship Portsmouth
St Paul de Loanda
July 7th 1861

Sir,

I have Suffered for some time with Hamorrhoids, Coughs, and a continued Swelling of my ankles —

The Piles are relieved by profuse bleeding and Diarrhoea that weakens me very much at times — Today, I am confined to my bed from these effects — My ankles frequently become too painfull to admit exercise sufficient for my health —

An unwillingness to leave the ship before the expiration of the Cruise has induced me to withold this statement but seeing now no prospect of relief, I deem it due to myself respectfully request that a Medical Survey may be held upon my Condition —

I

Forwarded
Wm H Hoskins
Captain

I am Sir,
Very respectfully
Your Obt Servant
John A Bates
Paymaster.

Commander John Colhoun
Comd'g U.S. Ship Portsmouth
St Paul de Loanda

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, July 7th 186

Gentlemen.

You will hold a strict and careful Medical Survey upon Paymaster John A. Bates, attached to the U.S. Sloop, "Portsmouth," and you will report to me in Triplicate your de

I am Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Surgeon John S. Mepeesmith
U.S.S.F. "San Jacinto"
Pdi. Asst. Surgeon C. T. Jahs
U.S.S. "Mohican"
Pdi. Asst. Surgeon Wm M. Page
U.S. Store Ship "Relief."

Flag Officer
Comd'g U.S. African Squad

St Paul de Loanda
July 7th 186

Sir

I have the honor to forward to you the foregoing request of Paymaster John A. Bates U.S.Navy for a medical survey.

The facts as stated by Mr Bates in his application, are not likely to be ameliorated by a longer continuance on this coast

I am of opinion that his speedy departure from this station is desirable

Very Respectfully
David Kindelberger
Assistant Surgeon
U.S. Navy

Commander
John Colhoun
Comd'g U.S. Ship "Portsmouth"

I have the honor to request that the foregoing application for a medical survey on Paymaster John A. Bates, may be granted — Very Respectfully
your obt. Servt

Flag Officer Wm Inman
Comd'g U.S. African Squadron

Jno Colhoun
Commander

—1

U. S. S. Portsmouth
St. Paul de Loanda
Jan 6th 1861.

No 1

In obedience to your order of this date we have examined and compared the Log upon Payments for the ... of this Ship and find them effected as follows: Viz ... accompanied with proper Receipts at the ... Captain's Pursers and Commanders shewing the ... which are in all cases very much reduced ... Heads of Boards and this added to the other ... above enumerated, leaves the Log ... under the Head of Extra. Stores for Survey ... during the last season, and in our opinion ... be sent to the U. States by the earliest opportunity ... the discrepancies originate in the line of duty and its ... uncertain.

Approved

Wm Inman

Flag Officer, Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servts
Thos. S. Wassell Surgeon
Chas. F. Fahs
P. A. Surgeon
H M Page
P. A. Surgeon

No 176.

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
At Sea, July 9th 1861

Sir:

I have the honor, to enclose herewith, a copy of a letter, dated the 6th inst. addressed to me, by 1st Lieutenant of Marines, T.F. T. Tattnall; and enclosing the two letters, copies of which, are submitted herewith, Viz,

A Circular and Ordinance, from the Adjutant General, and President of the Convention, of the State of Georgia.

I have,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt

John Rodgers
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Atlantic Squadron

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
DC

Copy.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
Harbor of St Paul de Loanda
7th July 1861.

Flag Officer, Wm Inman
Comdg. U. S. African Squadron.

Sir:

In conformity with Article Eleventh of the "Act for the better government of the Navy of the United States," I enclose you a communication received by me from the Adjutant General of Georgia.

Copy.
Vanden Heuvel
Officer Secretary.

I am Sir, Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant.
(Signed) Jno R. F. Tattnall
1st Lt. U. S. Marines
Comdg. Marines U. S. African Squadron.

Copy. - Circular -

Executive Department
Adjutant General's Office
Milledgeville, Ga. January 30th 1861.

Sir:

I send for your information the annexed copy of an Ordinance, passed by the Convention of the State of Georgia on the 25th of January 1861.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Henry C. Wayne
Adjutant General.

To
Lieut. J. R. F. Tattnall
U. S. M. C.

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel -
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Copy.

An Ordinance -
Concerning Officers of the Army & Navy.

Whereas Certain Officers of the Army and Navy of the United States, Citizens of the State of Georgia impelled by Patriotic motives, have already resigned their Appointments and tendered their Services to the State, And Whereas others may desire to make the same tender.

Be it ordained by the People of Georgia in Convention assembled - That all such Officers who have Resigned for the purposes aforesaid, or have made such Offer, and all those on the active list who may resign and make such tender of services within such time as Circumstances may admit, shall be received into the Service of the State, and shall be appointed and Commissioned by the Governor to the same relative rank in the Army & Navy of Georgia which they held under the Government of the United States, and shall receive the same pay from their entrance into Service, as they were entitled to at the time of their resignation - provided that the Governor of this State shall employ such Officers in the Service to which they may be respectively attached, in such manner, as, in his judgment the Public exigencies may require.

(Signed) Geo. R. Crawford
President of the Convention

Attest.
(Signed) A. K. Lamar
Secretary

True Copy. Standen Hazard
Flag Officer de cent

No 197.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation

Norfolk July 10th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to state in regard to the complaint, made against me by Lieut. Wm. McK. Fairfax, (of whom I have to report hereto.

That Officer has assumed, & has insulted, rather than Commanded, as will be seen in the sequel.

On, or about the 5th of October 1860, I ordered Lieut. Fairfax, as a matter of police, to remove the hammock berth of John Wilson, Seaman, from the place allotted to my Steward, by Lt. Fairfax, eight days before, at my instance, when the Steward became ill, from sleeping too near the hatchway. To this order, Lieut. Fairfax replied, "I will not do it" Whereupon I arrested him. On the following day, he was released from arrest, upon his own apology, at the intercession of Captain Nicholson. The date, named, is ascertained, by inspection of the transfer of the Seaman Wilson, from the Store Ship "Relief"

On, or about, the 11th of November 1860, the "Constellation" was going to sea, and Captain Nicholson being indisposed; sent to request, that I would order the detail. I went upon deck, and told

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy,
Washington, D.C.

Lieut.

Lieut. Fairfax, that the Ship was to be cast, in a certain direction - he replied, "if you wish that done, you will take the deck yourself," or words to the same effect. I sent a boat, to direct Commander Colhoun, of the "Portsmouth", to be ready to veer Cable, & then ordered Lieut. Fairfax, to get the Ship cast, & moored, and went below - Then the Ship was moored, as I, by Lt. Fairfax, in his own way; at the risk of fouling the "Portsmouth" - which veered Cable, to avoid it. This date is fixed, by inspection of the Log Book, of the "Portsmouth."

On the 15th of March, 1861, this Ship had been hauled, and at an hour unnecessarily late, the men were made to commence Scraping, & White a Window, by a table used by my Secretary, and myself for writing - that Scraping, and handling the necessary fixtures, interfered with my Official business, which was intermitted, to accommodate the work outside; and I went upon deck. Some afterwards, seeing that the men, were about to leave off, I said to Mr. Fairfax, "that work should be finished now" - he, at once, sharply said to the men Scraping, "Come in board and leave it," shewing an example, of gross disobedience and disrespect. This date is fixed, by inspection, of my written order to Captain Nicholson, a copy appended hereunto, marked A

On, or about, the 25th of April 1861, I ordered Captain Nicholas, to take this Ship to sea; but after Sail had been made, she remained at anchor, twenty four hours longer. Captain Nicholas, afterwards informed me, that when he ordered Lieut. Fairfax, to execute the manœuvre for going to sea, the latter spoke insultingly, "then you must take the Trumpet yourself" or words to that effect. This date is fixed, by inspection of the Log-Book of the "Constellation."

Upon several occasions, when on the quarter deck, in presence of the men, I have, becomingly, given commands to Lieut. Fairfax; he has replied in a loud dissent, instead of respectful obedience; - I have restrained my just indignation, and calmly told him, "not to commit himself, or to make a scene."

Lieut. Fairfax, has permitted himself, openly, to censure and condemn, the actions of his Captains, and the Flag Officer - the effect was, to hamper the faculties, in performance of the ministerial part of my duty.

These persistent presumptions, of the inferior, at length, became most injurious, to the proper exercise of their duty, by the higher authorities, and to the discipline of the Ship.

I directed the transfer of Lieut. Fairfax, as Executive Officer, to the "Two Sicilies," a first Class Steamer, Commanded by a Captain, where his

...professional operations, are most respectfully.

...Lt. Murphy left the Navy Yard, as Executive Officer, of the Steamer "Hystic," Commanded by Lieutenant ... and after having been transferred to ... and Naval Hospital, Chelsea, on board ~~this~~ this Ship, made application, by letter, copy appended, marked B, for orders, as Executive Lieutenant, to the "San Jacinto."

My note, for transfer of Lieut. Murphax, to the "San Jacinto," copy appended, marked C, is Military, is not unusual, or unduly summary. Orders, nearly similar, were received, on the same day, by Lieuts: J. H. Young, G. H. Preston, and L. H. Newcomer, and were promptly, and cheerfully complied with. All those transfers, were reported to the Department, on my, 4th 1864.

I respectfully submit, the above view, of the professional practice, of Lieut. A. M. Murphax; whose sense of official propriety, may justly be doubted.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servant

Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. African Squadron

Commanded by
Flag Officer Commdg U.S. African Squadron
U.S. Steamer San Jacinto
At Sea July 6th 1861

326

Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Navy Department that Flag Officer Farragut on the 16th of June detached me in the most summary and unusual manner from the U.S. Ship San Jacinto; and in a letter of the 24th of June, addressed to Captain John S. Nicholas, has further applied upon me as the late Executive Officer of that ship.

In January 1860, a vacancy on board the Flagship occurring and I, being the senior Executive Officer on the Station, was ordered to fill it. It was my proper position, as Officers of Flag Officer Farragut in May, following relative to changes made, and the subsequent approval of my orders, by the Navy Department will show.

In August and December last I was again applied to be ordered to the San Jacinto, but receiving a decided refusal to my requests, finally abandoned the idea of having the Flagship. As it is contrary to a long established rule in the service to detach an Executive Officer of a ship after the Department has approved of his appointment, unless solicited by himself, or for his advancement, I cannot but view the course pursued by the Commander-in-Chief as

Hon. Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy.
Washington D.C.

calculated to mortify, and if possible, to degrade me.

I will now quote from the letter, referred to above, and paragraph — viz: "You have permitted the disciplinary military observances and rules of the service to be set aside on board the Flagship "Constellation", especially among the Officers, to such an extent as to have produced disorganization, disobedience and insubordination". If this is true it was the imperative duty of the Commander in Chief to order a Court of Enquiry to investigate into the Ships Condition or to have preferred charges against the Captain, and Officers whom he has so severely censured. But Sir, I am happy in the consciousness of the utter untenable ground that the Flag Officer has seen fit to assume.

There is not a vessel under his command that was more harmonious, more efficient in the various exercises enjoined by the Ordnance regulations or more subordinate. I would earnestly urge the Honorable Secretary of the Navy to investigate that investigation which Flag Officer Jones has failed to do.

With great respect

Your obt servt

D. McNeill Fairfax

Lieutenant U.S. Navy.

Copy. A.

Copy of Letter from Commodore
Sir Edward Le Marchant
March 15th 1805.

To

The Lords of the Admiralty

My Lords

Having occasion frequently to send Officers on board the Portuguese Ships of War in the Tagus, I have found it very inconvenient to them, that there was no Accommodation for them on board.

I have therefore to request, that your Lordships will direct Measures to be taken for erecting a Cabin over the Gangway, & Ingress to the Ship, with Conveniences for Officers to sit at Meals, that there may be a Place for them to retire to, free from Interruption.

I am My Lords
Your Lordships most obedient
& most humble Servant
Edward Le Marchant

To
Captain
John L. Nicholas
Senior Officer of His Majesty's Ships
in the Tagus

A true Copy. Islanden Clement
Flag Officers Secretary

828
6

Enclosure No. 2

Confidential Instructions

St. Paul de Loanda, August 13th 1861

Sir,

I have to inform you that Her Majesty's Government have received information that a Steamer, supposed to be a Slaving Vessel, and the property of Slaving Merchants at Loanda, is about to leave that Port for the purpose of receiving a Cargo of Slaves.

I am to direct you, therefore, to use your utmost endeavours to intercept her, and, if you should succeed in capturing her, you will send her to Sierra Leone for adjudication, under the charge of a Prize Crew, consisting of a Commissioned Officer, and such number of Men as you may think necessary.

You will also direct the Officer in command of the Prize to take charge of all Papers found on board the Vessel, and to deliver them to the Judge of the Vice Admiralty Court at Sierra Leone.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant,
(Signed) A. W. H. Stanley
Captain

To
Lieut. Gibbon
H.M. Steamer
Commanding the Squadron
on the West Coast of Africa

Forwarded by
Commander Robert L. Wilkinson
Captain

True Copy. A. Lindsay Stewart
Flag Officer's Secretary

329
0

Copy. C

No. 1 Flagship "Constellation"
At St. Paul de Loanda -
June 10th 1861 -

Sir:

You are hereby detached from the U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation".

You will report to Flag Captain Thomas A. Dornin for duty on board the U.S. Steamer "Quasheba".

Yours,
Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Sgnd) Wm Arman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. African Squadron

Paul:
U.S. Ste. Quasheba
At St Paul de Loanda

No 178. U.S. Flag Ship "Wabash"
Port Royal, July 13th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that Lieut. G.W. Young, leaving in charge of the Prize "Velocity", proceeded in the Steamer "Sumpter", this Steamer was left with one Lieutenant, George H. Perkins, just promoted.

On the 6th inst. after conferring on the subject with Lieut. Commdg Le Roy, of the Steamer "Mystic", I transferred from that Vessel to the "Sumpter", Midshipman Norman H. Farquhar, as Acting Master.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

S. F. Du Pont

Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. S. Atlantic Squadron

Hon:
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

No. 179

U. S. Legation, Constantinople
Pera, July 15th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to forward herewith the Secretary's Proclamation of the Blockade of the Ports, Inlets and Waters of the Southern Confederacy, as published in the Official Journal of this City.

I am,
very respectfully
Your obt. Servant

[signature]

Hon. Hon
Sec'y of State
Washington
D.C.

No. 179 Pera 29 July

Sir:

I have the honor to forward herewith the Secretary's Proclamation of the Blockade of the Ports, Inlets and Waters of the Southern Confederacy, as published in the Official Journal of this City.

I am,
very respectfully
Your obt. Servant

[signature]

Hon. William L. Marcy
Secretary of State
Washington
D.C.

Copy

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda June 8th 1861.

General Order

When requisitions are made upon the Store Ship "Relief" for articles for use of this Squadron, the Commanders will cause requisitions to be made for entire packages, & issues of Coffee.

When requisitions are made for more than half the contents of any package, the whole package will be furnished — Single articles ordered by the Boat Keepers present.

Signed, W^m. Inman
Flag Officer,
Commanding U. S. Naval
Forces on the Coast of Africa

A true Copy. W^m Inman
Flag Officer commanding.

(Copy.)

H.M. Flag Ship Foudroyant
St. Paul de Loanda
June 29th 1846.

General Order.

Until otherwise ordered by competent authority, the relation which the H.M. Naval Stations, of Sta. Ha. & St. Helena to Naval Store Keepers, and of Ascension & Simons Town, as Clerk to Naval Store Keeper is discontinued.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron.

True Copy. Alexander Stewart
Flag Officers Secretary.

Copy.

H.M. Flag Ship Constitution
at Port de Grande
Aug 3rd 1861.

Order for Celebration - August 1st 1861.

The Crews of the Vessels composing the Squadron, will Celebrate the Anniversary of the Flag Ship, which will be Dressed in the usual Style, & the Yards Manned accordingly.

At Noon, the Vessels Composing the Squadron for Saluting, will Salute with 21 Guns each beginning with the Flag Ship.

When the Salute is finished, the Crews Commanded by the Officers Next in Rank will Salute - and Cheer - Three times - Three times each Officer at a time -

Signed W^m Chauncey
Flag Officer
Commg U.S. Naval Forces Gulf Pacific

Wm Chapman Flag Officers Secretary

H.M. Flag Ship "Immortalité"
St. Paul de Loanda, 6th Sep. 1861.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 4th Inst. stating the Capture of the American Brig "Nightingale" in Kabenda Bay, with the attendant circumstances.

I consider the Prisoners, and the "Saratoga", to be fully Captured in the "Nightingale", being part of the Crew.

When a Suitable Vessel may be obtained, for the Prisoners to the Senior Officer present, the Names and Condition of those persons, in order that they may be sent home in her for Trial.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
Signed Wm. Tarleton
Flag Officer Commg. Her Britannic Majesty's
Squadron

Alfred Turner
Lieutt. H.M.S. Sloop "Saratoga"
Loanda.

A true Copy. W. Van der Kemp
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Admiralty
Foreign Office
Received 11th November
1861.

U.S. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, May 22nd 1843

Sir,

You will be pleased to receive on board the "Saratoga" from the "Falmouth" packet, 2 pipes for the use of the Squadron, which you will cause to be placed on board the "Decatur" store ship. Repels, there in this port, which I have had their requisitions, upon the Store Keeper, filled.

You will not, for the present, require any provisions from the "Decatur" more than will be required for immediate use, as application will be made to the Senior Officer on this station, for such assistance of stores as may be necessary to complete the Squadron to 6 months provisions.

The Store Keeper will be in charge of Government property, and it is necessary for certain reasons, that he should be appointed as late as possible before a beginning is made to bring off the stores.

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Commanding Alfred Taylor
U.S. Ship "Constellation"
Loanda

Sir,

Some time ago it was thought, that said Ves
H. M. Ship Rhine, would be directed by the Lord Admir
to proceed to sea without removal of m
Stores, he will send off at once a Notice of it t
the Senior Officer; Who will, forthwith, send an
Officer, as Steward Officer, to remain Constantly
in the Store House, and be relieved every day
whilst the Stores are Embarked.

You will be pleased to furnish the Command
with a Copy of this letter, for m
Information.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

A true Copy. Thos. Maunder Maxwell
Flag Officer's Secretary.

H.M. Ship Constitution
Off Point de Loanda, May 1st

When the Rhine Ship is inspected by Rear Admiral
you will be informed, how she will be placed in
the Commander-in-Chief's Squadron for the ensu
ing Cruize, which time is reckoned from the Date
when the Vessel shall have received her Complet
ment, received the required Spirits and Provisions
and is ready for sea, and from that moment the
whole of your Officers and Crew, supernumeraries
included, are to be victualled
You will proceed to Sea with the Saratoga under your
Command, and to Cruize under your Orders as the Service
will admit of, and as may be necessary to maintain you
Squadron, you will be guided by the suitable Instructions
you may receive.

You will always observe the Standing Regulations, and
will take care to be provided with Stores for Six
Months from the Date of your departure.

You will inform the Senior Officer present, that you
have upon you are ready for sea.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Comdg H.M. African Squadron

Commander
Alfred Taylor
H.M.S. Sloop Saratoga
Loanda.

A true copy. Thos. Maunder Maxwell
Flag Officer's Secretary.

U.S. Ship "Saratoga"
At Sea Mediterranean

Sir

I have letters of the 1st & 2nd inst. from the Secretary of the Treasury

The Disbursements of the Fund have been made and vouchers transmitted.

Disbursements at Athens, the principal of which appear in the Navy Department account.

When only foreign Drafts have been payments made by them, at the time the payment is made.

In the absence of instructions from the Treasury Department, I have still given general credit-letters.

I am Sir respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
Signed W.M. Crane
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Naval forces

Mediterranean

To C.P. Carpenter
U.S. Sloop "Saratoga"
Smyrna

True Copy. William M. Crane
Flag Officer Commdg

Special Order

H. M. Ship "Belmont"
Halifax Harbour
11th September 1861

H. M. Ship "Belmont"
St. Paul de Loanda, May 7th 1861

Sir,

You will be pleased to proceed to sea, with the Ship under your Command.

When at sea, you will report Verbally to the Flag Officer, by whom you will be further instructed.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Simmons
Flag Officer
Comdg H. M. Squadron on the Coast

Commander
Robert Wilson
Comdg H. M. S. "Belmont"

True Copy. Wm. Henry Hewett
Flag Officer's Secretary.

3/456

H.M.S. Flag Ship "Portsmouth"
At Sea, May 7th 1861

Sir,

The very inadequate supply of provisions for the African Squadron, upon the arrival of the Store Ship "Racup" after the passage of 83 days, renders it necessary to inform the Navy Department by the earliest opportunity possible.

You will therefore use all diligence to reach the Island of St. Thomas, where the homeward bound Indiamen most frequently touch at this time of the year.

On approaching the Island you will be pleased to have a good look out for the Vessels at Sea.

You will report your arrival, as soon as you can possibly effect it.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

Commander
John Colhoun
Comdg H.M.S. Flag Ship "Portsmouth"

True Copy } Thos. Lamb Haines
Flag Officers Secretary

H.M. Flagship "Portsmouth"
at St. Helena, May 14th 1856

Sir

The "Portsmouth" under my command arrived here eight days since and has accomplished the purposes for which she came.

You will, therefore, proceed to sea and make the best of your way to Portsmouth reporting yourself

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your obt. servt.
(signed) H.E. Seymour
Flag Officer
(Secondg H.M. African Squadron)

Commander
Allen Cotton
Secondg H.M. Flag Ship "Portsmouth"
St. Helena

True Copy. W. Vanden Bemel
Flag Officer's Secretary

345

H.M. Ship "Falmouth"
At sea, 31st May 1861.

Sir,

Upon reaching the Cape I shall be pleased to transmit to the Rt. Hon. the Lords of the Admiralty Bills to the amount of £12,000 Sterling, for use of the Squadron, in your hands, being proceeds of Bills of Exchange, negociated at the Cape.

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Wm. Jno. Jones
Flag Officer,
Commdg. H.M. Naval Forces &c. &c.

To
Rear Admiral
John A. Dale
C.B.
&c. &c. &c.

True Copy. Alexander Bennet
Flag Officer's Secretary

No. 1. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda,
June 3rd 1861.

Sir:

Having overhauled the Hands of the "Portsmouth", refreshed the Crew with fresh provisions, and Reported Ready for Sea, I am directed & proceed to St Louis under your General instructions.

I can will return to Loanda on the 5th of next month, in time for the expected mail, and for further orders.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
Signed, Wm Truxtun
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Commander
John Corbin
Comdg U.S. Corvette "Portsmouth"
Loanda.

True Copy: Wm Truxtun Jr.
Flag Officers Secretary.

3/17

Ho. of Hay Ship "Constellation"
St Paul de Loanda
June 26th 1861.

Sir

You will be pleased to enter in the Ensign Register, for Ship "Constellation"

Name,

Hay Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
Signed Wm Hay

Flag Officer

Commdg H.M. Squadron &c &c &c

Commander
John Colthoun
Commdg H.M. Sloop "Falmouth"
Loanda

True Copy
W. Hay
Flag Officer Commdg

3/48

Copy.

H. M. Ship "Constellation"
at Port de Lounda,
June 29th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to requisition Lieutenant Lamarre, Lib. of the "Kingfisher" and you will receive from that vessel in exchange, Wm Tully - Ldr. Seaman, who will furnish Commander De Camp with a Copy of this order.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your Obt Servt
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg H. M. Squadron in Africa

Commander
Peter Cochrane
Commdg H. M. Sloop "Kingfisher"
&c &c &c

True Copy
Peter Cochrane
Flag Officer's Secretary

8/1/0

H.M.S. "Flag Ship" "Constantia"
St. Paul de Loanda
July 5th 1861

A medical Officer has been appointed for and field in your case. It has appeared that disease contracted in the line of duty, invalids will accompany for you to leave this Station.

You are hereby detached from the "Monmouth" which is one [illegible] about to leave the Station at this time. And you have informed me, that you desire to return to the U.K. Via Lisbon, by the Portuguese mail Steamer leaving this port to-day. I do will, therefore, take passage in that Steamer; and, upon your arrival in the U.K. you will report to the Navy Department, in writing, - How you will at the same time, transmit to it a copy of this order.

I am, very respectfully
Your obt. servt.
(Signed) H.M. Seaman
Flag Officer
(And to Henry Thomas Goodson
Upon.
Wales at Portsmouth
H.M. Sloop "Portsmouth"
Loanda.

True Copy: H. Goodson Secretary
Flag Officer's Secretary

No. —

H.M. Sloop "Protector"
at Cape of Good Hope
Augt 6th 1861.

Sir

You are to take the "Petrel" under your command, and proceed with her to Loanda, where you will receive further instructions, until the 4th of August, when you will return to Loanda.

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. servt
Sigd Wm Jones
Flag Officer
Cmdg H.M. Squadron &c &c &c

Commander
John Colleton
Cmdg H.M. Sloop "Petrel"
Loanda.

A true copy. Wm Jones Keane
Flag Officer &c &c &c

Copy

"H.M. Flag Ship Constitution"
St. Paul de Loanda
July 8th 1861

Sir

I shall have occasion to proceed to the Bight of Benin, in the Ship under my command, and as there is no public Vessel about to leave this Station, at this time, you will take passage by any private conveyance that may offer.

Upon your arrival in the U.S. Ship, you will report in writing to the Navy Department, the orders you will, at the same time, transmit a Copy of this order.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obt. servt.
(Signed) Wm. Glennan
Flag Officer Commanding

Quartermaster
Wm. A. Bates
Boy "Portsmouth"
Loanda

A true Copy. Wm. Glennan
Flag Officer Commanding

To the Magistrates Constables
of the Town of Stamford in the

County of Lincoln

Whereas Information hath been made before me one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County of Lincoln that Thomas Saunders late of the Parish of Stamford in the County aforesaid Labourer did on the Twenty Second day of September Instant at the Parish aforesaid in the County aforesaid Steal take and carry away one Sheep of the Goods and Chattels of Thomas Lupton then and there being and Whereas Complaint hath been made unto me that the said Thomas Saunders hath absconded from his Dwelling House and Family and refuses to return to his Home and Family These are therefore in his Majesty's Name to require you forthwith to make diligent Search for the said Thomas Saunders and him when found to bring before me or some other of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said County to be dealt with according to Law and for so doing this shall be your Warrant Given under my Hand and Seal this Twenty Second day of September in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty One

— Wm —

Captain
Thomas Nicholas
Constable

To the Constables of the Town of Stamford in the County of Lincoln

Executed Sept. 22d 1761
Thos. Nicholas Constable

Flag

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
At Port au Prince
June 13th 1861

The following orders will be carried into
effect on board the "Constellation," in addition to
General Regulations for the government of the
Navy; and this order will be published in the
Order Book.

All Officers will appear in their proper
uniforms whenever engaged in any duty, or when
on the Upper Deck; or, on leaving the ship.

The Charge of the Watch is not to be entrusted
to any other than a Commissioned Officer, or the
one who is now performing the duty of Master, or
Midshipman.

The Officer of the Deck will give his whole attention
to duty, and will not engage in Conversation,
except such as may be necessary for the proper performance
of duty, except prevented by Church Service. There will be
Muster at Quarters morning and evening, when

All the Divisions of Great Guns, & Small Arms,
to be exercised, one Division at a time, by the
Officer Commanding such Divisions, in Port or
at Sea, unless bad weather may prevent, every

- day,

Chaplain
The Rev. Nicholas
Flag U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation."

Copy.

H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 15th 1861

Medical Survey has reported that Disease occurs in the line of duty, unfits you for service on this

You have requested authority to return to England by Steamer, via Fernando Po and Liverpool.

I see being no public vessel about to leave this port you will proceed to the Cape by the route I have indicated.

Immediately upon your arrival there, you will report in writing to the Navy Department at which time you will at the same time transmit a copy of this order.

I am Servant, Patrick Doran, Landsman, accompany you. His account has been sent to the Paymaster of the Receiving Ship at Simon's Town where he will be released & make report thereof. Commandant of that Station and to the Navy Department.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

True copy.
R. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

Copy.

H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 20th

The order of the 13th inst. (above written) is modified as follows. Viz - The Divisional Exercise of Great Guns and Small Arms, will conform to the Framed Schedule headed "Days for Exercise" - And the exercises, noted in that Schedule, will be transmitted in port, at Sea, when Serious Sickness or Service duties prevent. The Surgeon will represent the former, the Executive Lieutenant the latter, in the absence of the Flag Officer, who will then authorize such transmission.

(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commander-in-Chief
U.S. African Squadron

Lieut
A.C. Rhind
Executive Lieutenant
U.S. Flag Ship Constellation

True copy. R. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

Flag

H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 15th 1861

Medical Survey has reported that Disease occurs in the line of duty, unfits you for service on this

You have requested authority to return to England by Steamer, via Fernando Po and Liverpool.

I see being no public vessel about to leave this port you will proceed to the Cape by the route I have indicated.

Immediately upon your arrival there, you will report in writing to the Navy Department at which time you will at the same time transmit a copy of this order.

I am Servant, Patrick Doran, Landsman, accompany you. His account has been sent to the Paymaster of the Receiving Ship at Simon's Town where he will be released & make report thereof. Commandant of that Station and to the Navy Department.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Nicholas, U.S.N.
Flag Ship "Constellation"
London

True copy. R. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 13th 1861.

Sir:

You will be pleased to advance Five hundred dollars ($500) to Captain Chas. C. Nicholas, detached from this ship & who is about to return to the U.S. by recommendation of a Medical Survey.

This disease having been reported by that officer, as occurring in the line of his duty.

Captain Nicholas will account for that sum of Money to the Treasury Department.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer.
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

To
Captain
John N. Maffitt
U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"

True Copy. W. Wanden Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

Copy.

"H.M. Flag Ship Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda.
June 15th 1861.

Sir,

Captain Lord A. Richard commanding this Ship has been superseded by a Victorial mandate, and appointed a Flag Officer on this Station. He has requested me to signify his relinquishment of the Command of the "Constellation."

Until further orders, all Letters and Stores, hitherto made to the Captain superintendent, or otherwise, will be made Due.

You will be pleased to make this order known to the Officers.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Wm. Herman
Flag Officer
Cmdg H.M. S. African Squadron

Lieut.
A.C. Rumbold
Executive Officer
H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation."

True Copy. A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 14th 1861.

Sir,

You will cause a Special general examination to be made, by the proper Officer, of all the Standing Rigging of the Fore-Mast, Masts and Yards of this Ship, without unrigging any of them; unless it shall be found necessary — in which case you will ask for an order to do so. You will report the result in writing.

I am, very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

To
H.C.R. Lind
Lieutenant
H.M. Flag Ship "Constellation"

(True Copy.) W. Marden Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

360

U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 14th 1846

Sir,

A Medical Survey has been this day held, in your case, & you are hereby directed, that Disease contracted in the service of duty, renders it necessary for you to leave this Station.

You are, therefore, hereby detached from the U.S. Flag Ship "Constellation".

There is no public Vessel about to leave this Station at this time; and you have informed me that you desire to return home by the earliest conveyance.

Accordingly, you will report yourself to Captain Thomas A. Dorning, Commd'g U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto" for passage in that Vessel to the Island of Fernando Po. From thence you will proceed in Mail Steamers, via Liverpool, to the U.S.

Immediately upon your arrival there, you will report, in writing, to the Navy Department; and you will at the same time transmit to it a copy of this order.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Commd'g U.S. African Squadron

Surgeon
L. Smith
Flag Ship "Constellation"

True copy: Wm Inman
Flag Officer's Secretary.

(Copy.)

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, May 1st 1861.

For reasons of public necessity, no part of the provisions and Stores will now be landed at Loanda, from the Store Ship "Relief" under your Command.

Until otherwise ordered, you will issue to the vessels of the Squadron, the provisions, Stores and Cane fire wood, in your Charge upon approved requisitions. Taking for such issues all the usual receipts and Vouchers, in number sufficient for your indemnity, and transmission to the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, with which you will duly advise.

In delivering Stores, you will invariably observe this rule. Viz. No Men, but your own crew, are to be permitted to work below the upper deck. All other work will be performed by the crews of the boats of the Ship receiving the Stores. It is desireable to avoid breaking packages, as much as possible.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer Comdg U. S. African Squadron

Commander
John Mc Camp
Comdg U. S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda.

True Copy. A. Vanden Kieuel
Flag Officers Secretary.

(Endorsed)
Flag Officer Inman
Commanding U. S. African Squadron
Transmitting Requisition
1861

362
6

H. M. S. "Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda,
May 1st 1861.

Sir.

I have with you will receive Copies of General Orders, which you will be pleased to give effect, on board the "Relief."
The Sanatory Regulations for this Station, will also be observed.

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. S. African Squadron.

Commander
John Mc Camp
Comdg H.M. S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda

True Copy. D'Wanden Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

Copy.

H.M.S. "Barrington" Quarantine
St. Paul de Loanda Nov.r 26.

Upon the arrival of the "Relief" you will proceed to sea with the Squadron under your Command, and when you shall be directed by the Senior Officer, you will leave the Squadron & proceed to this Port, where you will anchor & send a Boat on board the "Barrington" for Orders.

The next day Commander Meer will deliver to you other Stores, for the same use, from the Hospital, and Mr. Lee all the Requisitions, now made upon him for Stores, for the "Constellation," "Falmouth" "San Fiorito," "Saratoga" and "Myrtle" are satisfied. You will then embark and receive all the Stores and property of the Ship whatever, that may be remaining in the Store House at Loanda, except the Casks and Ironwork. All which you will cause to be stowed so as to receive from the "Constellation," "San Fiorito" and "Myrtle", when they next visit you, all the remainder of the Stores for the use of the Squadron. You will be right for all such Stores whatever, as for packages supposed to Contain Articles named.

As soon as the Store House is empty, you will take charge of the two new lighters, property of the Govt. You will cause them to be securely moored near to and under the Superintendence of the "Relief."

I am, Very respy, Yr. Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Jno Forman
Flag Officer, Commdg H.M. African Squadron

Jno Meer Esqr. Agt. for Transports
Flag Officer's Secretary

Commander
John DeCamp
Commdg H.M.S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda.

p[ar]. H.M. Flag Ship "Constitution"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 10th 185[illegible].

[illegible] will receive from the "Constitution" one Prisoner, the [illegible] he may have on board for the use of the [illegible] and all future orders for the transfer of such Prisoners on board any Vessel of the Squadron, & the Relief will understood to apply to Officers and Officers of any and [illegible] description.

You are to comply forthwith, with all [illegible] supplying Stores, in the order of precedence as at Requisitions, and no delay will be permitted doing so.

Should sensible sickness, or other Cause for delay, [illegible] occur, you will immediately report the [illegible] to the Senior Officer present.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Commg H.M. Naval Forces on the [illegible]

To
The Commander
of H.M.S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda.

True Copy. A. Mandeno Secy. to
Flag Officer Commanding.

Her Majesty's Commissioners
&c. &c. &c. at Corfu

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you
for the information of the Commissioners
which I have to request you to communicate to the
Right Hon.ble Sir Thomas Maitland &c. &c.
Lord High Commissioner of the Ionian Islands

I am, Sir,
Your obed.t
Signed W.m Inman
Flag Officer
Comd.g H.M. Ships & Vessels

Commanders
Sir Thomas Maitland
Comd.g H.M. Ship "Rodney"
Corfu

One Copy. "Malta Gazette"
Flag Officer's Secretary

per

H.M. Hospital Ship "Maidstone"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 13th 1866.

Sir,

I am sorry to be obliged to report to you that Thomas Wallis, Ordinary Seaman, Official No 3[illegible] has been invalided on board this Ship from the "Rattler" in Loanda.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your obt. servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

To
Commander
John Delamp
Comdg H.M. Store Ship "Rattler"
Loanda.

A true copy. Jno Anderson Secretary
Flag Officer's Secretary.

3607
0

Copy. H.M. Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda, June 1st 1861.

Sir,

I consider it proper to acquaint you that I
have received information from private sources that
it may be on board the Store Ship "Relief" that
what have been furnished specially for the
use of the Naval Squadron
on certain occasions found in small packages. When requisitions are sent home
in packages, it is only - beside which - the effect would be to dis-
tress from the place where they should be found.
I will be taken to make requisitions specifying the
contents of packages as much as possible.
I will, therefore, furnish, upon all proper occasions, boxes
than which packages. except when more than half
a ton in a package are required in that case
more package will be supplied, unless upon the
the Senior Officer present, it should be otherwise ordered.
The Medical Force on board the "Relief" is considered
sufficient for these occasions, during the short
that will probably elapse, before instructions are
received from the Navy Department as to the Withdrawal of
Store Ship "Relief."

I am very respectfully Sir, Your
(signed) Wm Tyrman
Flag Officer, Cmdg. the West Coast of Africa

Commander
H. Delamp
H.M. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda

True Copy. J. Marden Thomas
Flag Officer's Secretary

H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 15th 1861.

Sir,

I have received your letter of this date, stating various Circumstances in relation to the distribution of Stores, from the Store Ship "Relief," under your Command.

You mention, that Mr. Binnie had been released by the Authorities on Shore, and was at liberty, and that he informed you, that he is ready to receive the Cargo on board the "Relief," Consigned to him.

You further request that Mr. Binnie be directed to join on board the "Relief," and to take Charge of, and issue you of a duly ~~proclaiming~~ proclaiming Binnie &c. &c.

I have seen Mr. Binnie to day, and after enquiry, did not learn that he was ~~not~~ yet fully at liberty to act; or to engage, with Certainty, in any fixed occupation.

But for these facts, and the expected Commands of the Department, with regard to him, I would at once direct him to receipt for and dispense the Stores Consigned to him, and received from the Store House, Now on board the "Relief" - Provided, that employment were required of him for a period of any known Continuance.

Whenever these obstacles to your wishes may be removed, I will act upon your Suggestion.

I am, Very respy, Yr. obt. Servt.
(Signd) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Cmdg H.M. African Squadron

Commander
John DeCamp
H.M.S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda

True copy. Standen Bennet
Flag Officers Secretary.

40/0

H.M. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loando
June 23d 1861.

Sir

I enclose herewith a copy of an order dated 6th instant directing the embarcation of Mr. Pearce and his Clerk Mr. Wm Pearce, for performance of their respective duties as Paymaster Store Keeper and Clerk, on board the H.M. Store Ship "Relief". I am, Sir, your obedient humble servant

Jam, Sir, your obedient
Humble Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

Commander
John De Lamfo
Comdg H.M. Store Ship "Relief"
Loando

True copy. Alfred Hamond
Flag Officers Secretary

370

Copy.

U.S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda,
June 29th 1861.

No.

You are hereby appointed to perform, temporarily, such of the duties of Naval Store Keeper U.S. African Naval Station, as are necessary, to receive and issue, upon approved requisitions, the Stores for the use of this Naval Station, that are, may be placed, on board the U.S. Store Ship "Relief". This order is subject to approval by the Navy Department.

You have received from the late Naval Store Keeper the books and papers, necessary to keep and render Your accounts to the Bureau of Provisions & Clothing - Which You will do.

Commander de Camp has been furnished with a Copy of this order; and You will refer to him for such Appliances as your duties may in any way require.

I am, Very respectfully, Yr. Obt. Svt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer, Comdg U.S. African Squadron

To
J. S. Wood
Master's Clerk
U.S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda.

True Copy. H. Warden Hamel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

3/10

H.M.S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda, June 29th 1861

Sir,

The Officer of St. Paul Store Keeper for this Naval Station, has become absent.

In order that the duty for the care of this Squadron, & London may be carried on, I have ordered the Paymaster's Clerk of that Ship, & perform, temporarily, such of the duties of Store Keeper, as may be necessary & receive and issue, upon Requisitions, Stores &c.

You will be pleased to give effect to this order, in such manner as may be most expedient for the good of the Service.

A Copy of the Order I have to the Paymaster's Clerk, is furnished for your information.

I am Sir respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Wm Chapman
Flag Officer
Commdg H.M. African Squadron

Commander
Jean de Campo
Commdg H.M. Store Ship "Prodig"
Loanda.

True Copy.
H. Chapman Flag Officer
Flag Officers Secretary.

No. 1.

H. B. M. Ship Constitution
St. Jago de Cuba
June 29th 1861

Sir:

I have request herewith to inform you that the Ships "Portsmouth" & "Constitution" have not been complied with.

I am, very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm. Norman
Flag Officer
Comdg H.B.M. African Squadron,

Capt.
Everett Abbot.
U. S. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda.

True Copy. R. Mantell Clerk
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Special Order

U.S. Steam Ship "Mississippi"

Monthly Examination

1861

3/93
0

Copy

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
~~Loanda~~ 1st May 1861

Sir:

You will be pleased to cause the Muster of the following men of the Sloop "Saratoga", viz:

L. P. Matthews, Master's Mate. James Bratton, Seaman, and Albert Stafford, Ordinary.

I am Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval Forces

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda

True Copy. W. Landon Harvel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

37/40

H. M. Ship "Sapphire" Convict Station
St. Paul de Loanda,
May 1st 1861.

As soon as you can receive from Mr Hyde's
you will be pleased to proceed to sea, and to
cruise under your instructions. You will arrange
your Command so sufficiently early after you
arrive, so as to be enabled to sail from hence
with, and very soon after the arrival of the next
mail from Europe, due here 3rd proximo.

You are herewith furnished with a copy of
an Agreement made with Mr Laughland, to receive
alongside the freighting Vessel, the Coal of which she
is now lying at Elobey. You will be pleased to
receive that Coal (150 to 160 tons) first, and dispose
the freight by bills on the Navy Department.

From Fernando Po, you will proceed direct and
without loss of time to Loanda. Where you will await
the Flag Ship's further orders. On your way you will
be pleased to have the Mails separated and stowed.

The Stores for the use of the Squadron, now on board
the "San Jacinto", will remain until you return from
the Cruise named above.

I am, Very respectfully, Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) [illegible]
Flag Officer, Cmdg H.M. S. African Squadron.

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
H.M.S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

True Copy, [illegible]
Flag Officer's Secretary.

375
C

(Copy)

H.M.S. Flagship "Tortoise"
St. Paul de Loanda,
June 10th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith a Letter addressed to you by Lieut. Hamer Van Sandwich of H.M.S. Sloop "Favorite".

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm. Hewett
Flag Officer.
Commdg. H.M. Naval Forces Coast of Africa

Lieut.
L. A. Beardsley
H.M.S. Sloop "Sandwich."
Loanda.

True Copy: A. Van den Hamel
Flag Officer's Secretary.

214 O

U.S. Flagship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
June 1st 1861.

Sir,

You are hereby detached from the U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto"

Gunner Wilbert, for Philadelphia, Lieut. Comdg Jones, for Pensacola, for duty on board the U.S. Steamer "Jupiter."

I am, very respectfully,
Your obt. servt
(signed) Wm Inman
Flag Offr. Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Lieut.
G. W. Young
U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Loanda.

A true Copy. Attest Chauncey
Flag Officers Secretary

H.B.M. Consulate
St. Paul de Loanda -
June 11th 1861

Sir,

I beg to enclose a copy of a letter from Captain Thomas H. Darnell commanding H.B.M. Packet "Griffin" to the address of Lieut. Commander Hunt, H.B.M. Senior Naval Officer on the West Coast of Africa, reporting the capture of the Spanish Slave Vessel "Ana Joaquina" by the boats of the "Griffin" under the command of Lieut. Commander Hunt.

I have &c.
(Signed) W. Mure
Her Majesty's
Consul

Hy Officer,
Comdg H.M. Packet "Griffin"
Loanda -

Captain
Thomas H. Darnell
Comdg H.M. Packet "Griffin"
Loanda -

True Copy. W. Mure
Her Majesty's Consul

No. 49.

H.M. Flag Ship "Constitution"
at Port de Grande -
June 16th 1861 -

Sir,

Upon Surgeon Masterman's Staff leaving Completed the Report of the Medical Board yesterday, and Steamer Ajax on board the "San Lazaro", you will be pleased to Report by Signal, "Steamer in Ajax".

Upon Signal being made by you to proceed, you will Depart with the "San Lazaro", under your Command, and Observe under your General instructions.

You will return to London by the 1st of July next.

I am, Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg H.M. African Squadron

Captain
Thomas A. Dornin
Comdg H.M.S. Steamer "San Lazaro"
Sierra Leone.

True Copy. R. Saunders Clerk
Flag Officer's Cabin.

3770

Y. Leg.

H.M. Flag Ship Constitution
At Table Bay
8th July 1861

Sir

I have to request that you will be ready for sea, provisioned to Nine weeks, & proceed to Simons Bay for further instructions, and hoist the Pendant of Captain William Jones Commander in Chief.

I am Sir Your respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm Jones
Flag Officer,
Commg H.M. Squadron on the East Coast of Africa

Captain
Thomas D. Stevens
Commg H.M.S. Narcissus St Jacinto
Simons Bay

A true Copy. Wm Jones
Flag Officer.

3810

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
off Cape de Verde
June 6th 1861

Sir,

You will transfer to the Flag Ship "Constellation" the men named below to replace as many assignable from men discharged from the Flag Ship, to enable the American Ship "Flora" of New York, to proceed on her voyage.

Richard Graham, Seaman, Leonard Peals Landsman and Charles Lopez Landsman.

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer

Lieut. Condy
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Jas. R. Armstrong
Comd U.S. Steamer "Kingfisher"
Loanda.

True Copy. H. Warden Steward
Flag Officer's Secretary.

1 Receipt Asked

U.S. Steamer "Kingfisher"
off Princes Island
June 8th 1861

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th inst. transferring to this vessel the men named therein, to replace as many assignable from men discharged from the Flag Ship, to enable the American Ship "Flora" of New York, to proceed on her voyage.

I am very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Jas. R. Armstrong
Comd

Lieut. Condy
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

381
0

"C." Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, May 6th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to proceed to sea with the "Sumpter" under your Command.

You will make your way to the Northward with such moderate speed as may be prudent for the boilers, and Engines — exercising the usual Vigilance for Vessels engaged in the Slave Trade.

Keeping these objects in View, you will visit Cassinga, or Ambriz, near to which at a Beach Station, reported to be in Lat: 1°27' S. Long. 8°58' E, is the Establishment of one Mr. P. E. Lawlin, Agent for Messrs Bishop & Co. of New York —

Inclosed herewith, for your guidance, are Copies of two letters dated March 19th and April 1st 1861 from Mr. Lawlin — If practicable, you will Communicate with him, and then devote such reasonable space of time, as may be necessary to meet his wishes to obtain the presence of an Officer (properly attended) to witness the acknowledgement of a Treaty made between him and the Natives —

When this has been done, you will continue to Cruise as before; and as you will require Supplies about the 4th of June next, you will return by that day to Loanda, where you will meet the Flag Ship, or further orders.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer Commdg W. C. African Squadron

Lieut: Commdg
James F. Armstrong
H.M. Steamer "Sumpter" — Loanda.

True Copy
R. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary

3820

H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, June 10th 1861.

Sir,

You will proceed to Sea, this day, with the Complete
and Quite under your general instructions.
You will arrive at Fernando Po, in good time to fill
up Coal and be ready to sail with, and on receipt of,
the next Mail from Liverpool.
Mr. Laughland, of Fernando Po, has made a written agreement
with me, to deliver monthly from 50 to 80 tons of the Coal of the
Galatea Stored on board the hulk at Cabenda, to be taken
on Cruisers from alongside the freighting Schooner "Malta" -
the Vessel is to be ready to deliver it, on (or about) the 25th of the
Month, &c. &c." Mr. Lynslagen has a Copy of the agreement, which he
will Shewn you to-day, and which you will act upon -
After receiving the Mails, you will lose no time in Searching
Loanda, direct, and you will insert them, as usual, on your Way.
Should the Flag Ship be absent, on your arrival there, you
will make good your Supplies for three months; and if,
during your absence, an opportunity offers to purchase Bread
(limit) at a fair price, you are at liberty (without delaying
the arrival here with the Mails) to purchase a Supply not to
exceed that for two months, if you can stow it securely.

I am, Very respectfully, your obt. Servt.

Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer, Comdg H. M. African Squadron

Comdg
James F. Armstrong
Comdg H. M. Steamer "Sampson"

Loanda.

True Copy. Fernando Po
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Copy.

H. B. M. Flag Ship "Centurion"
At Anchor at Louisa.
June 10th 1861.

Sir,

You are hereby, detached from the H. B. M. Steamer "Tempter."

You will report yourself to Captain Thos. A. Dornin, for duty on board the H. B. M. Steamer "San Jacinto."

I am, Very respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm. Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg H. B. M. African Squadron.

Lieut.
J. N. Green
H. B. M. Steamer Tempter
Louisa.

True Copy: J. Wanden Clauer
Flag Officer's Secretary

H.M.S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda.
June 14th 1861.

Circumstances have induced me to send the "Ariel" to Fernando Po.

She will probably be there in time to meet the homeward Mails. If you fall in with her before you reach Ascension, you will transfer to Captain Pym those Mails and Despatches, as well as those for Sunstagen. If you do not see her until you arrive there, you will deliver at the Post Office Mails &c.; and to Mr. Sunstagen his Dispatches you will then return here, as early next month as may be prudently done.

Captain Dornin will take charge of the homeward Mails; in waiting for which you will in no wise delay your departure from Fernando Po.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Commdg U.S. African Squadron.

To Commdg
James F. Armstrong
Commdg U.S. Steamer "Kempton"
Loanda.

True Copy. Flag Officer's Letter Book

Copies Orders
H.M. Steamer Tenedos
Mediterranean Station
1861.

266

H.M. Flag Ship Constellation
At St. Paul de Loando -
May 1st 1861 -

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you that I have this day hoisted the Union Jack and assumed the Flag Ship, appointed to the Command of the Naval Forces employed on the Coast of Africa, from the Cape of Good Hope to the Equator.

I have &c &c &c
Signed, Wm Jenkins
Flag Officer
Commdg H.M. Naval Forces on the Coast of Africa

Commander
H.M. Steamer
Commdg H.M. Naval Forces &c &c &c

Copies sent Admiralty
Flag Officer's Orders

Copy of Letter from
Lt. Comdg. Wm. Le Roy
Commanding Steamer "Mystic"
to Flag Officer
1861

H. M. Flag. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
May 7th 1861.

Sir.

As soon as you can receive the Supplies for the "Mystic", You will proceed to Sea, and make your way under Medium force of Steam to Little Fish Bay; Where you will Remain as long as you Consider it advantageous for the health of your Ship's Company.

You will Cruise, or visit other Salubrious Places South of Loanda, at your discretion.

You will return here by, or before, the 10th of June next. You will inform the Senior Officer present, one day before you are ready for Sea.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signd) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg H. M. S. African Squadron.

Lieut. Comdg
Wm C. Le Roy
Comdg H. M. Steamer "Mystic"
Loanda.

True Copy: A. Maudsley Clerk
Flag Officer's Secretary.

H.M. Frag.te "Constantia"
at St. Paul de Loanda.
June 21st 1861

Sir

I have received from Lieut.t Cox, of H.M. Brig "Wrath" Command of the "Mystic" by the Commander of the Brigt "John Duff"

You will be pleased to proceed to Ascension, and to Cruise under your General instructions, until the 3d of July next, when you will return to Loanda.

I am, Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Tarleton
Flag Officer
Commd.g H.M. African Squadron

Lieut.t Cox
Commd.g
H.M.S. "Wrath"
Loanda

True Copy. Alfred Hewett
Flag Officers Secretary.

Offg. H.B.M. Diag. Ship "Constellation"
at Port de Lourdes
July 6th 1861.

Sir,

You are hereby desired to remain in H.B.M. Steamer "Hydra", and you will report for duty to Lieut. Commg Lyons of Armstrong for duty on board Her said Steamer Hydra

I am Sir your obt Servt
Jno Ott Lieut &
Commg H.M. Diag Ship
Senior Officer

To
Lieutenant
Commanding H.B.M. Steamer
Hydra
Lourdes

Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your
letter

No 180

U. S. Steam Ship "Constellation"
St. Helena, July 20th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor, to inform the Department, that the Medical Officer, on board this Ship, has represented Rome, the necessity to her Officers and Crew, for a change of air, from the African Coast.

The "Constellation" has, therefore, again visited this Island, after an absence of about five Months.

During her stay, which will be brief, the Crew will visit the Shore and supplies, not procurable at Loanda, will, if possible be provided here.

I have received, from the Revd John Seys, U. S. Agent at Monrovia, for Recaptured Africans, his receipt, dated May 8th 1861,

-for

Hon:
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D. C.

for Eight hundred and one (801)
Negro Slaves, Recaptured on board
the American Ship "Nightingale",
by the U. S. Sloop "Saratoga".

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

W. Inman

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

J. Aug 31 Flag

No 181. U.S. Flag Ship Constellation
At Selma, July 6th 1861.

Sir.

I have the honor, to inform the Department that in accordance with the written recommendation, of the Medical Officer of this Ship, Copy of which is enclosed, I sent on the 23d inst. for New York or Boston, Steamer A.D. Sutton, Captain of Ship of this Ship.

Thirty Dollars was paid, for his passage and provisions. And the Commandants of the Navy Yards, at Brooklyn and Charlestown, were duly advised, and the Necessary Transfer, and Medical Statement of the Case, forwarded.

I am, Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Flag Officer
Commdg Ms. of
American Squadron

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D.C.

U.S. Ship ... U.S.S. Magnolia Gunboat
St Helena July 22 1861

Sir,

I would respectfully report that Vincent A. Miller, Capt Main Top, U.S.S. Iroquois was injured on the morning of April 6th 1861, by falling from the main yard upon the main rigging and from thence into the water, during the time in the performance of duty; & now in that State of Convalescence which enables his transference to any vessel in the service of the United States.

He is now suffering from partial Hemiplegia, following the original concussion & this aggravated by the surrounding influences of Coast Climate. His condition is one requiring a change of climate & the advantage of Hospital treatment & I would therefore recommend he be sent by the earliest opportunity to the United States.

I am Sir very respectfully
your Obt servt
(signed) Jno M. Browne
Asst Surgeon

To
Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Commanding U.S.
African Squadron.

True Copy. Attested Signed
Flag Officer ...

3406

No 152

U.S. Blockading Constellation
off Point de Conde
August 10th 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to make a final report of the transfers which have occurred on board the U.S. Blockading Vessel under my command since the date of my last report.

Captain Thomas A. Dornin, August 1st 1861, from the "Constellation," which vessel he is ordered to command.

Commander Alfred Taylor, detached by Captain William McGlenahy.

Lieutenant Jarrett Abbot, August 9th 1861, from the Store Ship "Relief," to the Steamer "Pocahontas," which latter vessel, I ordered the Lieutenant, as no Master or Midshipmen.

Surgeon John C. Hassenmitz, August 9th 1861, from the Steamer "San Jacinto," to the "Blockading Constellation," as his State of health, made it necessary, that he should leave the Coast, as soon as possible.

Lieutenant H. H. Bartlett, August 11th from the "Saratoga," to the Store Ship "Relief" to fill a vacancy, caused by previous transfer of Lieutenant Abbot, to the Steamer "Pocahontas."

Passed Assistant Surgeon, W. H. Harrison,
— August

Hon: Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

I Ct. H. Lardner

August 10th 1861, from the Steamer "Mystic", to the "Loop Saratoga", to relieve Surgeon Richard H. Jeffery, detached.

Assistant Surgeon James C. Lindsay, August 10th 1861, from the Store Ship "Relief", for passage to the United States, being certified unfit for duty by Medical Examining Board.

1st Lieutenant, John K. C. Tattnall, of the Marines August 9th 1861, from the Constellation, to the Steamer "San Jacinto." Mr. Tattnall is the only Officer of Marines, in the Squadron, and Guard of the Constellation, has had the entire Marriages, of his Command, for a year past, during which, no Marine Officer, has been in the "San Jacinto"; of which the Guard requires the Command of an Officer, to insure its efficiency.

Surgeon Richard H. Jeffery, August 10th 1861, from the "Loop Saratoga", to the "Mystic" - relieved by Passed Assistant Surgeon Thomas Williamson Harrison, from the "Mystic".

I am,

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

John Pearson

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

3770

No 183.

U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
off Port Praya
August 6th 1870

Sir

I have the honor to submit herewith, copies of four protests, marked A. B. C & D. which the Navy Department has directed that His Excellency, Chevalier d'Aguiar Governor of Cabo Verde & Depends. Province of Portuguese Province of Angola, and the Portuguese Consul at Boston, should be furnished with. I was, lately, pleased to give to the acceptance of Commander H. Gideon, Commanding the U. S. Steamer Shenandoah the supply of money, he might be in need of while at that island.

The papers above referred to, will show that the kind offices of His Excellency, had been duly acknowledged.

I have

the honor respectfully
to be your obt. servt

J. Lee Loy

Flag Officer,
Comdg. Naval Forces on Cabo Verde Station

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

J. Sub 30- Mis

No. A.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of the Government, that in my last interview with the Governor, the Governor informed me that he had received by mail from home a despatch enjoining the Consul, under my command, with due care, the steps, might become, that upon, owing to the late time when the news of the recent financial troubles of the Government, had been received, and which, known at Loanda from merchants, and the Consul at Loanda from merchants, and the Consul at Loanda from merchants, and the Consul

Copy. B.

H. M. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda, August 10th 1861.

I have received from Commander Leint &c &c &c, in which I am informed of the very generous and spontaneous offer of His Excellency the Governor General of Angola, to supply any funds, of which the Officers may stand in want.

I shall not fail to inform the Government of the United States, of that act of liberality and consideration, on his part.

I am so pressed by business, incident to the departure of the Squadron, that I am unwillingly prevented from expressing to His Excellency, the high sense that I entertain of his kindness in this instance.

I shall be pleased if it may be in your power to represent this to him, in your own happy manner.

I am, Very respectfully
Your Ob't Servt
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

Commander
C. W. Gordon
Comdg U. S. Steamer "Mohican"
Loanda.

A true copy.
Malden Bennet
Flag Officers Secretary

Copy. C.

H. B. M. Ship Britannia
at Port de Grace
August 10. 1861.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, offering a Communication of the U. States

In making me the proffer of conveying your expressions of the high sense you entertain of the kindness of the Steward in the matter mentioned by you, I beg to offer you my thanks I have availed myself of your kind offer and have addressed His Excellency a letter a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

I have the honor &c.
Very respectfully
Com. W. H. Wise
Signed J. M. Gordon
Comdr.

Copy Official
Wm Arman
Secondg H. B. M. Pacific Squadron

True copy. Wardlaw Hamel
Copy. Official Secretary

Copy. D.

H. M. S. "Medusa"
St Paul de Loanda,
August 10th 1841.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose herewith a Copy of a letter which I felt it my agreeable duty to address to Commander in Chief, inviting his attention to honorable and unsolicited offer of such provisions as my Ship might need; as also, the Commander in Chief's Answer thereto.

Your Excellency will perceive, that in the present instance, that devolves upon him at the moment of departure, the request being obliged to forego the pleasure of addressing to you himself, his thanks, it has been pleased to suggest myself as the medium to convey to you his high sense of the attention and consideration for the interest evinced by your kindness.

In doing this, Sir, permit me to renew to your Excellency, the strong sense of my obligations and to regret, that circumstances should have caused so abrupt a termination of the pleasant continuance on this Coast, and the happy relations, that exist and I feel would continue to exist between us and the Government of your Excellency.

Permit me, Sir, to seize this occasion to renew once more the expressions of the

No 184

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Jago de Sonda
August 11th, 1861.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform the Department that I received here from St. Helena, on the 4th instant all the Squadron, except the Sumpter, having arrived a day or two before me, as directed.

The mail, just due, brought to me, the duplicate of the letter of the Department, dated 1st of July 1861, with a post-script, dated 14th of the same month.

In compliance with the instructions, I conveyed, the Sloop Portsmouth, Commander John Rhoan, sailed for Portsmouth, New Hampshire on the 9th instant.

The Steamer Sumpter, Lieut. Comdg James Armstrong, and Steamer Mystic, Lieut. Comdg Wm. E. Le Roy, sailed on the 10th instant the former for New York, and the latter for Philadelphia, both to touch at Monrovia, Liberia, where they were discharge Seamen, and to make the best of their way, to the United States, stopping where it might be necessary, for coal or other supplies.

The Steamer Mystic, Commander J. M. Gordon

Hon: Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, DC.

Light Consideration with which,
I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Obedient
most Obdt. Servt.
(Signed) J. M. Gordon,
Comdr.

His Excellency
the Governor General of
the Province of Angola.

True Copy.
Signed, C. G. Saunders
Capt's Clerk

True Copy. } A. Vanden Heuvel
Flag Officers Secretary. }

Oct 4 1861

Godoy, is receiving Coal, and will sail on or
next, 13th instant, for Boston, direct, unless it
should be necessary, to stop for coal, or other
plies, as provided for in her sailing orders.

The Sloop "Saratoga," arrived here on the
instant, and was ordered to fill up, with pro
and Stores, from the Store Ship "Relief"; and
purchase, such sufficiency of bread, and
articles, that the "Relief" could not supply.

The "Saratoga," was then to sail, for Fern
Poo, where Commander Taylor, was to transfer
Command, to Captain Glendy; and then to
passage, in the "San Jacinto," to the United S

Captain John S. Nicholas, returned
United States, by advice of a Medical Surg
the 14th of June last, thus leaving the "Constell
without a Captain.

Captain Charles Wilkes, being ordered
assume Command, of the Steamer "San Jacin
I have ordered, Captain Thomas A. Wornin,
take Command, of my Flag Ship, the "Constel

With a View, to carry out, the order of
Department, "for the return of the Several Ves
as soon as practicable;" I have caused the
"Saratoga" and "San Jacinto," to meet Captains
Glendy and Wilkes, at Fernando Poo - the
Vessel, being placed, temporarily, under Com
mand of her Executive Lieutenant,
Fairfax. She sailed for that Island, on

8th instant, (yesterday,) carrying the necessary
orders and instructions, & copies sent herewith,
to effect the purposes, directed by the Navy De
partment.

The Store Ships "Relief," Commander
the Camps, will sail for New York, in a day, or two,
after supplying the "Saratoga," and receiving from
the latter, her invalids, and some prisoners of war
in Slavers, with the Witnesses against them.

The Flag Ship "Constellation," Captain
Thomas A. Dornin, is now under way, bound
Portsmouth, New Hampshire, direct, and bears
this letter, to the United States.

I am,

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

John [illegible]

Flag Officer
Comdg U. S. African Squadron

O

H. M. Ship "Constellation"
At Sea to Windward, August 10th 1846.

In pursuance of an order from the Navy Department, I will leave Commander Alfred Taylor in command of the U.S. "Saratoga", and he will receive & transmit the instructions & orders by which he has been governed.

I shall sail to-morrow for the Coast, and after I shall have passed out of the limits of the African Station, you will invest with all the rights and powers of the Commander in command.

In the mean time, you will be pleased, as Senior Officer present, to receive the reports of Captains Eames (which I have ordered to take command of the Steamer "San Jacinto" - Commander Alfred Taylor ordered to proceed to your Command in the "Saratoga", and of Lieut. W. F. Halifax, temporarily Commanding the "San Jacinto" he will transfer that Command to Lieut. Wilkes. You will be pleased to give effect to all the orders which I have issued to those Officers.

No time will be lost in despatching the "San Jacinto" Commander Taylor as passenger.

I send, herewith, for your guidance Copies of my Instructions, and of such other papers as may apply to your duties in Command of the African Station.

I have appointed the Post Master at Fernando Po, Wm. McGlendy, U.S.N. and.
ordered to Command the Hoop "Saratoga"
Senior Officer of the African Station
Fernando Po.

and Thomas Miller, Esq. H.B.M. Her Majesty's Consul at St Paul
de Loanda, to forward to you any Official Letters
or any Time hereafter addressed to me. You are autho
to open and to act upon them, as well as all such Mat
may find, or know of elsewhere.

H. S. W. W. Sprudlager, H.M. Agent at Fernando Poo, wi
you all information as to the Coal stored there and the
two lighters, which, with those at Loanda are to be he
well painted, by direction of the Bureau of Construction

H. Robert Cunningham, H.M. Commercial Agent at Loanda
Charge of the small remnant of Coal at this place, and of
two iron lighters, which now require to be painted. Mr Cu
ningham has also Charge of the Mercantile House, which
rents some Office furniture, and he has a copy of the lea
and other papers, in relation to its use, including a copy
Conditions upon which the Stores may be Landed and
Reshipped (free of duty) as agreed upon by the Governor Ge
of the Province of Angola and myself.

The Store House is leased until the 1st of April 18
at a rent of $720 per annum. And the rent has been
up to the 1st of January 1862. Mr Cunningham has
right of the lessor so that effect.

The Wharf was Wholly built by the H.M. and the lea
provides for the removal of certain fixtures at its
termination.

That grant remains in force, although the Stores
all withdrawn and placed on board the iron Ste
"Edith" about the Last of May 1861, as described in the
Paper Referred to. The Store Keeper and his Clerk

[illegible]

[illegible] returned home.

Among the papers I have sent down, is a Return of Stores
Receipt given by the Commissioners for £318 16s 8d Sterling,
received in his hands & purchase 130 tons of Welsh Steam
which is to replace 125 tons of Coal hitherto issued,
stated in the Receipt.

The Store Ship "Edith" has on board thirteen Sick Persons,
will Examine, of what she has to the Hospital, from
which she will receive her invalids and some prisoners,
will then sail for the Cape.

The Bureaux and the Department, were informed
all these Subjects, and of the Wants of the Squadron on
1st of last May.

I have,

Sir, Your most obedient
Humble Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Grinfield
Flag Officer,
Comdg. H.M. Naval Forces

True Copy: N. Barnard Edmonstone
Flag Officers Secretary

U. S. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, August 5th 1846.

As soon as the "San Jacinto" shall arrive at Fernando Poo, if Captain William H. Gardy is present, you will be pleased to exhibit to him this order, which you will then execute. In the absence from Fernando Poo of Captain Gardy, you will carry it into effect as follows.

You will make the best of your way with the "San Jacinto" to Monrovia, Liberia, and thence to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the U. S.

At Monrovia you will discharge all Government

Comm. Charles Wilkes, U. S. N.
Cmd'g Comd'g U. S. Steamer "San Jacinto"
Fernando Poo.

Commander Whatever - After which, and as soon as
you can be ready, you will proceed to the port
of your ultimate destination.

You are authorized to stop where it may
be necessary for Coal or other supplies.

After you arrive at Philadelphia, you
will report in writing to the Navy Department &
Commandant of the Station.

I wish for you a successful voyage.

I am,
Very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg N. A. African Squadron

True Copy. N. Sanden Hamel
Flag Officers Secretary.

9 Oct 1867

1865. U. S. Flag Ship Constitution
off Cape de Verde Islands
August 11th 1865.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I
sailed in Captain Wilkes Command
ship, on the 1st of July 1861, by William
Hunt, Esq., United States Consul, at
St. Helena on the subject of Convoy, for
American Merchant Ships, bound to
the United States, and touching at
Island.

I am
very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Comdg N. A. African Squadron

Hon.
Gideon Welles.
Secretary of the Navy
Washington
D. C.

1864.

Consulate of the United States of America
at St Helena 1st Feby 1861

Flag Officer William Inman
Commander in Chief
U. States African Squadron

Sir,

On perusing the public Newspapers, and finding it stated, that owing to the difficulties now occurring, by the Secession of several of the Southern States, from the Union, that Letters of Marque, are being authorized, by the President, to make Reprisals, and which, no doubt, will be substituted upon, by those, it has occurred to me, that I would, respectfully, represent to you the fact, that a number of American Ships, are coming to this Port constantly, from several parts of the World, valued at the amount, of millions of Dollars, and many of them, with valuable cargoes, bound direct to the United States, and quite a number of Whalers, also, eventually bound there, and at same time, to bring to your notice, the desirableness of, to being provided, and as, in all probability, Vessels of the different Nations, may occasionally be detained, and consequently bound home, that the Flag Officer, on the Station, for the time being, might see fit, to direct that such Armed Vessels should, on their way to the United States, call in here, and afford convoy, to such American Shipping, as may be in port, or expected

Shortly

shortly to arrive.

For your information, I beg to annex, [illegible] Abstract of American Vessels that have entered the Port of Saint Helena from 1st January 1857, to the 1st July 1861) showing their several destinations.

Vessels from the African Coast, as [illegible] do those, from the Cape of Good Hope, bound [illegible] would, would no doubt, also, like a Transhipe, of [illegible] chance of convoy.

Trusting Sir that you will be pleased [illegible] (Consider), this respectful suggestion, as coming [illegible] purely, from a Sense of my public duty, and [illegible] deep anxiety, for the protection and safety, of [illegible] property.

I have the honor to Remain [illegible]

Sir

Your Very Obedient humble Ser[illegible]

(Signed) W. Card

U. States Consul

(True Copy)

Wm. Card U.S.Consul

Reg. St. Helena.

To Where bound.—	1857	1858	1859	1860	1861	
the United States	60	14	59	48	15	
Europe	22	6	24	14	9	
Whaling and home	65	8	37	46	28	
Havana	2		1	5	8	
Coast of Africa	4	1	2	2	3	
Brazil	2				1	
West Indies	1	1	1		1	
Sundry other Ports	1	1	3	1		

(Signed) W. Card.

U. States Consul

at St. Helena

411
0

Copy.

H. M. Ship "Constellation"
at St. Paul de Loanda,
August 7th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased forthwith to prepare and report the "Portsmouth" when ready to proceed direct to Portsmouth in the Harbour of [illegible].

Your Seamen will be transferred to a Steamer of the Squadron which will be designated hereafter, and which will convey to Monrovia where they will be discharged.

You will furnish such Steamer the stores necessary to pay them off, up to the time of their arrival there.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg H.M. African Squadron.

Commander.
John Colhoun
Comdg H.M. Sloop "Portsmouth."
Loanda

True Copy; Alexander Chaurel,
Flag Officer's Secretary.

Sir,

I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to signify to you their Lordships' direction that the Steamer "Spitfire" be taken into dock from the "Orthrondia".

You will give directions that the Engineer may have sufficient assistance provided, and that the Engineers and Stokers may be employed for that purpose.

You will furnish Lieutenant Commanding with a Copy of this Order.

I am, Sir, your obedient Servant,

Signed [illegible]

[illegible]

To the Commander,
[illegible]
[illegible]

A True Copy
[illegible]
[illegible]

No 4

(Copy)

H. M. Flag Ship Constellation
At Table Bay Roads
August 5th 1861.

Sir

I have to acquaint you for the information of
the Captain & Officers, for duty on board
H. M. S. Constellation, per Lady on board
H. M. Steamer Star of the South

I am, Very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) W.m Inman
Flag Officer,
Comdg. H. M. S. Squadron Cape of Good Hope

To
Lieutenant
C. H. N. Talbot,
Comdg. Steamer, H. M. Squadron
H. M. Flag Ship "Constellation".

True Copy. Alexander Milne
Flag Officer Commdg.

(Copy)
H. M. S. "Constellation"
Table Bay 5th August 1861.
Sir
I have the honor to transmit
for your information
a Requisition
I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) W.m Inman
Flag Officer

1170

U.S. Flagship Constellation
At Port de Leonel a
August 9th 1851

Sir

I have received your application for
leave of this ship, and have considered the
reasons stated therein, as well as the recommendation
given by Captain Hartman Kennon, to your
character.

The "Flagship Constellation" and Steamer
"Sarah Ann" are both about to return to the
United States.

You are, therefore, hereby detached
from the U.S. Steamer "Sarah Ann", and you
will report for duty on board the Constellation.

Yours very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed, Wm Stevens
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Naval Forces

To
Lieut. Peter Hunt
U.S. Steamer "Sarah Ann"
Panama

True copy. Wm Stevens Barnes
Flag Officers Secretary

11210

1922

1 Copy

H.M. Ship Constitution
at St Paul de Loanda
August 10th 1822

Captain Tillard will
herewith proceed in charge of
H.M. Steamer Pantaloon
the orders and instructions
with the governor.

You will be pleased to
when Mr Commander Hill
succeeded by Captain Charles Hillyar
such other person as the senior Officer may
direct.

You will be pleased to retain the Pantaloon
readiness for sea at short notice.

I am Sir
Your obt. servt
Signed Hyde Parker
Flag Officer
Commanding Her Majesty's Ships

Lieutenant
H.M.C.S. Fairfax
Or Senior Lieutenant
H.M. Steamer "San Lacinto"
Loanda

True Copy
Signed Hyde Parker
Flag Officer

H.M. Steam Ship Curaçoa
at Cape de Verde
August 1st 1861.

You will be pleased to proceed with the Steamer "Saint" without loss of time, and to convey Captain Williams to Gibraltar, & resume the Command of the "Curaçoa" and the Steam Station.

You will report to him, upon your arrival, as he is not there, when he may come, and you will present to him the Despatches and packages entrusted to you herewith.

In the mean time, you will put yourself into Coal, keeping in all respects ready for sailing Departure.

When Captain Sullivan will have taken upon himself the Command of the Curaçoa, together with the Letters and Instructions for his Government.

I am, Sir, your obedient Servant
Com. Off. Steam
(Signed) Wm Hillman
Esq. Master

To Lieut. Commdg. H.M. Steam Vessel
H.M.S. Argus
Curaçoa
Steamer "Saint"
Gibraltar

Navy Dept Bureau Construction
&c. Yard de Grande August 1st 61

Sir

I am informed by the Hon Secretary of the Navy that you have been assigned Lieutenancy in the Confederate States Navy

I also learn that you have visited Richmond for Command of the C.S. Steamer Sumter but that vessel will proceed to Liverpool without you. You are to take the "Saratoga" & sail immediately.

You will please proceed to Savannah Geo. the Arsenal of the Armies, by which time will receive orders and instructions necessary for your conduct.

Yours

Navy Agent
Confederate States
Navy Department

Capt Raphael Semmes
Navy Yard
Savannah Georgia

Copie

H. Mr. Vice Amiral Commandant
de la Station de Terre-Neuve
Augustin, le 11 Mai 1861.

A Bord.

J'ai l'honneur de vous prévenir que
le Bâtiment à vapeur l'Eclair
sera prêt à appareiller, à
partir de demain, pour Rade pour la Station
de Terre-Neuve.

J'aurai donc l'honneur de
vous faire ma visite de
départ.

Signé L. Thibaut
Capitaine de Vaisseau
Commandant la Station de Terre-Neuve

Pour Copie conforme
Le Capitaine de Vaisseau
Commandant la Station de Terre-Neuve

Copy

No. 1. Flagskib "Christianshavn"
St. Paul de Loanda,
August 5th 1876.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform
you that I, in the absence of Rear
Admiral Hoskins, on the 29th ult.
received information of a quantity of
specie, six chests & 15 bags, having
been landed at Loanda, for conveyance
to the Flagship Triumph at Ambriz.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
Your obt. servt.
Sigd. H.C. Sommer
Flag Captain,
Commdg H.M. Pacific Squadron.

Commander
John de Camp
H.M.S. Rose Flagship "Triumph"
at Ambriz.

True Copy. Admiralty & Records,
Flag Officers Secretary.

No. 1.

H.M. Flag Ship Constantine
St. Paul de Loanda
August 1st 1861.

Sir,

As soon as the "Hope Saratoga" (Mail steamer) shall arrive here, from which I expect to receive Despatches and a Number of Prisoners, taken in Slaves and the Vessels against whom I shall have to prefer charges, I shall proceed with the Squadron under my Command to the Bight of Benin.

The "Saratoga" shall have been previously sent from the Bight of Biafra "Relief" and the remainder of the other Vessels of the Squadron are employed as they will be required to come.

The Squadron under my Command will be actively employed in the vicinity of the Slave Coast and to give them a Change to the Vessels belonging to Commercial Agents to whom their Operations will be pointed out.

When the above has been done, and the "Relief" is ready for a Voyage to the West Coast I shall proceed with all Speed to the Bight of Biafra.

Upon your arrival here you will report in writing to the Navy Department and to the Commandant of the Station.

I wish for your Ship a safe and speedy passage home and success to yourself.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
Wm. Hewett
Flag Officer Commanding Western Coast

Captain John Mc Leod
H.M. Store Ship "Relief"
Loanda

True Copy. Vanden Heuvel Pte

No 286

Copy.

U.S. Flagship Constellation
at Port de France
August 10th 1861

Sir

You will be pleased to receive on board the "Saratoga" two prisoners taken on board the Schooner "Joe Maffitt"

You will transfer to the "Saratoga" one of the Crew of the "Reliance" in exchange for them.

You will furnish Commander Taylor of the "Saratoga" with a Copy of this order.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Signed Wm Inman
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Steam Sloop

Commander
John McCrea
Comdg U.S. Store Ship "Relief"
Boston

True Copy. Extracted Book
Flag Officer

4.29
6

Copy.

U. S. Steam Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda
August 9th 1861.

Sir,

Upon the receipt of this Warrant
in this port, you will be pleased to transfer the invalids and the prisoners taken in Prizes, with such suitable Witnesses as their Cases, from our view, to the Store Ship "Relief."

On the return Trip, you will take on board, as much as the "Saratoga" can stow of the provisions and Stores on board the "Relief."

You will procure from the Vessels, and, if possible, fill up your Receptacles with Bread, Rice, or other Esculents not obtainable from the "Relief."

You will lose no time in performing the above duty; which being done, you will make the best of your way to Simonstown in

You are advised by the Navy Department of the intended Annual Store of Captain Milliam's Ship Relief.

Upon receiving this, you will transfer to him the Command of the Sloop "Constellation", together with all Orders and Instructions which you have

Commander
Alfred Taylor
Commdg U.S. Sloop "Saratoga"
at Loanda

U.S. Store Ship "Relief"
St Paul de Loanda
August 9th 1861.

Sir,

Upon the receipt of this Warrant in this port, you will be pleased to transfer the invalids and the prisoners taken in Prizes, with such suitable Witnesses as their Cases, from our view, to the Store Ship "Relief."

On the return Trip, you will take on board, as much as the "Saratoga" can stow of the provisions and Stores on board the "Relief."

You will procure from the Vessels, and, if possible, fill up your Receptacles with Bread, Rice, or other Esculents not obtainable from the "Relief."

You will lose no time in performing the above duty; which being done, you will make the best of your way to Simonstown in

You are advised by the Navy Department of the intended Annual Store of Captain Milliam's Ship Relief.

Upon receiving this, you will transfer to him the Command of the Sloop "Constellation", together with all Orders and Instructions which you have

Commander
Alfred Taylor
Commdg U.S. Sloop "Saratoga"
at Loanda

, or in any person thereon.

When this shall have been done, you
consider yourself detached from the Squad
and you will report to Captain Charles Wilk
Commanding the U.S. Steamer "San Jacinto",
ordered to furnish passage to you in that
vessel to the United States.

Upon your arrival there, you will report
in writing to this Department, and to the
Commandant of the Station.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.
signed, W[illegible]
Flag Officer,
Comdg U.S. African Squadron

True Copy: Alexander Murray,
Flag Officers Secretary.

Flag.

U.S. Sloop Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda
August 18th 1861.

Sir,

You are hereby detached from
the "Marion"

You will report yourself to
Captain Commdg the Roy. Mail Steamer
the U.S. Steamer "Sybille"

I am, very respectfully
your obt. Servt.
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. African Squadron

Richard H. Stoney
Lieut. & Captain
"Marion"
Loanda.

True copy: Alexander Murray
Flag Officers Secretary

No 51 C

(Copy.)

H.M. Flag Ship "Centurion"
at St. Paul de Loanda,
August 16th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honor by this day's post to forward to the H.C. Store Ship "Kent" Stores for this Ship as per Demand herewith.

I am, Sir, your obedient
Servant,
(Signed) Wm Inman
Flag Officer,
Commdg H.M. Squadron &c &c &c.

Lieutenant
H. H. Dalton
H.M. Store Ship "Kent"

A true Copy. Examined & Entered
Flag Officer's Secretary.

(Copy.

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
St. Paul de Loanda,
August 11th 1861.

Sir,

You will be pleased to receive upon Examination, Count and Inventory of the Public Funds on board this Ship in English Gold and Silver, the Sum of Eight Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Dollars and Twenty five Cents - $8870.25.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) Silas Stringham
Flag Officer
Commdg U.S. Naval Squadron

To
Paymaster
U.S. Constellation
U.S. Store Ship Relief
Loanda.

(True Copy. Charles Steedman
Flag Officer's Secretary.

455
0

Copy.

H.M. Flag Ship Constitution
at Cape de Verde
August 10th 1861

Sir

As medical Surgeon of the Ship under your Command for Service on this Station,

You are, therefore, hereby directed to join the "Loop Tuscarora" and on your report of Commanding Officer thereof, for passage in the Store Ship "Relief" to the United States.

On your arrival there, you will report in writing to the Flag Officer of this Station who will also send a Copy of this order.

I am Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Winans
Flag Officer
Commdg. U.S. African Squadron

Surgeon ... USN
Asst. Surgeon Lindsay
U.S. Sloop "Tuscarora"
Loanda.

True Copy. Wm. Winans Flag
Flag Officer

Copy

U. S. Flag Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda August 10th 1861

Sir

It is said that services have been received by the Naval Store keeper at Loanda, stating that the Sup Ship "Garibaldi" from Philadelphia, was destined to this port.

The order of the Department, which I have received, directs that I be at Princes Island on the 15th Inst. to receive dispatches from the Department, which will be forwarded by vessels from that Island, to Fernando Po.

When you reach that place and having received the dispatches from the Department, you will be governed by your best discretion as to sending the "Saratoga" to Loanda, to bring to Fernando Po. Captain Turner and Wilkes.

If a long delay in meeting the Fernando Po mail occurs, you will consult the health of the Officers and Crew of the "Saratoga", by a temporary visit to Princes Island, keeping up frequent communication with Fernando Po.

Previous to leaving that port, you will leave there in the hands of the Agent, Mr. Lopez, a communication for Captain Handy, to be delivered on his arrival, by which he will be informed of your movements and motives.

Commander
Alfred Taylor
U.S.S. Sloop "Saratoga"
Loanda

Sir, Very respectfully, Your Obt. Svt.
signed W. Inman
Engineer, Budget of Steam Machinery

True Copy,
Thomas Edwards Lt Commander

Sir. Copy of Constellation
at Isla de Leyte, August 1st 1851.

I have the honor to transmit herewith for the information of the Department a Report of the proceedings of the Commander of the Albatross since his departure from Manila on the passage to Port Lloyd in the Island of Leyte.

The Albatross left Manila on the 25th July and on the 27th anchored off the Island of Mindoro, where the Commander left a letter addressed to Lieut. Commanding Upshur with instructions to proceed to Port Lloyd in the Island of Leyte, and to report himself to the Commanding Officer of the U.S. Ships at Hong Kong, but should he not find the Commanding Officer at Hong Kong he was to proceed to Shanghai and report himself to the Commanding Officer of the U.S. Ships at that port.

The Albatross left Mindoro on the 28th July at 4 P.M. and anchored in Port Lloyd on the 30th at 10 A.M. where the Commander found the U.S. Ship Constellation, Commanding Officer Upshur, and delivered the letter addressed to him by Lieut. Commanding Bent.

Lieut. Upshur informed Lieut. Bent that he had received orders to proceed to Hong Kong, and that he would leave Port Lloyd on the 31st July, and that he would leave a letter for the Commander of the Albatross, informing him of the movements of the Constellation.

Lieut. Bent proceeded with the Albatross to Hong Kong, where he arrived on the 4th August, and found the U.S. Ship Constellation had left for Port Lloyd on the 31st July.

The Albatross left Hong Kong on the 5th August at 4 P.M. and arrived at Port Lloyd on the 8th August

436
0

(Copy)

To
The Right Honble Constantine
Earl of Caledonia
Augusta, the 1st 1861

My Lord

I have received your Lordship's
letter of the 15th inst
stating that Mr Lawson
the Right Honble
Lord Caledonia,
Consul for the United States

Lawson

A. M. Gordon
Consul of the United States

My Lord

Your Lordship's Obedient
Right Honble Caledonia

437
0

Copy

H.M. Flag Ship "Constantia"
St. Paul de Loanda
August 5th 1861.

Sir,

I have the honour to acquaint you that the "Pampas" will be insufficient to carry the Mails for three weeks. And I shall apply to the Admiralty for another Steamer to join the Squadron for that purpose.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) H. Seymour
Flag Officer
Commanding Western Division

Commander
J. W. Hindon
Senior Officer Steamer "Espiegle"
Kabenda

A true Copy. Richard Tilt
Flag Officer

Copy.

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Off Cape

&c. &c. Steamer "Duncan"

12th of August 1861

Final Examination -

U.S. Ship "Constellation"
St. Paul de Loanda, August 1st 1861

Sir

When the "Kyatie" sailed from this port she was bound to Norfolk, Virginia, & there would be no change of her destination, but upon leaving she was ordered to Boston.

I would here state that the last of your crew left this ship to join the "Kyatie" on the 29th July, & I have not since seen the Commanding Officer of the "Kyatie".

You are authorized to stop there, & may be necessary for coal, or other supplies for your voyage -

I am very respectfully
Your obt. servt
Sigd. Wm. L. Rodgers
Lieut. Comdg
Wm. L. Le Roy
Comdg U.S. Steamer "Kyatie"
Loanda

True Copy. Wm. Le Roy
Ship Officers Letters

Copy

H. B. M. Flagship "Britannia"
at St. Paul de Loanda,
August 10th 1851.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that the "Pluto"

I am with respect,
Your most obt. Servt.
(signed) Wm. Jones
Flag Officer
Commdg H.M. Naval Forces on the Coast,

To
Capt. Lascelles C.B.
H.M.S. "Crocodile"
Loanda

Sir Capt. Wilmot & Crew
Flag Officers Servants

H.B.M. Flag Ship "Centurion"
At Sea August 15th 1861

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Copy of a letter, dated Aug 5 1861, addressed to me by Commander Edward Raby, Commanding Her Majesty's Steam Sloop "Alecto", and Senior Officer of the Northern Division; with my reply thereto, dated August 8th 1861. Also, the Journal, dated August 9th of Commander Raby.

Yesterday, this Ship, speaking at sea, within Signal distance of Her Majesty's Steam Frigate "Arrogant", having the Flag of Commodore William Edmonstone, Senior Officer on the West Coast.

The "Arrogant" saluted my Flag, with 13 guns which was promptly returned, with a like number.

These courteous inter-communications will show the cordial feeling which existed, during my Command-in-Chief, of the African Station, between the Ships of Her Majesty, and those of the United States.

I am, Sir, respectfully
Your obt. Servt.

Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, DC

Flag Officer, Comdg H.B.M. African Squadron

Copy.

U. S. Ship "Hecla"
St Paul de Loanda, West Coast Africa

Sir.

It is with great pleasure, that I beg to tender, through you, my best thanks, to Lieutenant Commandant Armstrong, of the United States Steam Vessel Sumpter, for his great kindness, in taking a letter, to Loanda, from me, to Commander Belingfield, of the Portsmouth, on the 15th ultimo, thus saving me, the necessity, of sending a boats crew, nearly one hundred miles. Such acts of Courtesy and kindness, must, always, tend to cement, the good feeling, and cordiality, which, I trust, will, always, exist, between the two Services.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant.
Signed Henry S. Ruby
Commander and Senior
Officer of the Southern Division.

Flag Officer
Wm. Inman

Commanding United States Squadron
West Coast of Africa.

Copy.

H. M. S. Hecla
St Paul de Loanda 9 August 43

Sir

I have the honor, to acknowledge the receipt of your gratifying letter, which you were pleased, to address to me, yesterday, in answer to my communication, of the 7th Inst.

I shall have great pleasure, in forwarding to Commodore Edmonstone, and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, your highly satisfactory Statement, as to the pleasure, you have felt, in informing, the United States Navy Department, of the cordial co-operation, which has existed, between the United States Squadron, and that of Her Britannic Majesty. I have no doubt, it will give Commodore Edmonstone, great pleasure, to receive it. I may, I feel assured, state, on the part of Commodore Edmonstone, and the rest of the British Officers, on this Coast, their sincere regret, at the departure of the Squadron, under your orders, both on public grounds, and also, from private feelings.

For my own part, let me express to you, my personal thanks, for the great kindness, and civility, which I have received, at all times, from yourself, and the officers, of the United States Squadron. It will give me much pleasure, to convey to Commander Pickingill, your highly

testimony

testimony in his favour I feel assured, that it will be most gratifying to him.

I have the Honor to be

&c.

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed Henry J. Raby

Commander and Senior

Officer of the Southern Division

Flag Officer

William Inman. C.B.N.

Commander-in-Chief

United States African Squadron.

11/10

Copy.

H.M.S. Flag Ship Constitution

St Paul de Loanda August 8th 1860

Sir.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of the very acceptable letter, which you were pleased to address to me, on the 6th of July.

I furnished a copy of it, to Lieut. Comdg. Armstrong, Comdg. H.M.S. Steamer "Sampson" who has desired me, to make known to you, how highly he reciprocates the kindly sentiments, which prompted your letter.

You will be pleased, to excuse my tardiness, in making this reply; which was occasioned, by former excessive occupation, and after absence from Loanda.

I avail myself, of this occasion, to request of you, as Senior Officer, Comdg. H.M.S ships in the Southern division, to convey to Commodore Edmonstone, and to the Lords of the Admiralty, the pleasureable duty, which I have lately performed, when reporting to the Navy Department, of the cordial harmonious and efficient co-operations, of Her Majesty's Ships, and those under my Command, on this Coast.

I desire to name, Commander Pelling field, Comdg. H.M.S Steamer "Pandora" as one of those, among others, who have rendered us, valuable assistance, and I have received at various times, from Captain Crawford in the "Archer" as well

&c

as those of H. M.'s Commander, much useful
information, kindly attention, and offers of service.

I am just about to relinquish, the Comm
in Chief, of the Vessels of the U. S., on this Station
the recollection, of my pleasant relations, with the
Officers of Her Majesty, will ever bring with it, future
ment.

I am, Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.

Signed Wm Inman

Flag Officer
Commander in Chief
of the U.S Naval Forces
on the West Coast of Africa

Commander
Henry S. Raby
Senior Officer of the Southern division
of Her Majesty's Ships on the South Coast.

U.S. Steamer San Jacinto
At Sea Jan 31st/61

Benjamin it- Jno Lucas to Engr the following
report- against Wm Benjamin, Seaman for
neglect of Duty
at- on the morning of the 29th of the present date,
I left in the discharge of that duty in the Engine
room, Wm Benjamin called to me and said, take
your Counterpane and go to your Berth, to
me, I dont want you to do it- I replied
that I thought it- is necessary I have the night-
and instantly told him to go out of the Engine
room and attend to his duty which he refused
to do. I then said I shall report- you and
he you sent out. he replied you may report-
as you please, I dont care a damn
at- how you report- me- I'll watch you
when I'm

I am Sir Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
Wm Lucas
2nd Asst Engr

John Dann

1451
0

U. S. Steamer San Jacinto
At Sea June 3. 1861.

Sir,

Enclosed I submit for your consideration a report from Chief Engineer John Faron, against 3rd Assistant Engineer Benjamin Kavanagh, and respectfully recommend, for the good of the service, that he may be tried by a General Naval Court-Martial.

I am,
very respectfully
Your obt Servt
Wm D Porter
Captain.

Flag Officer
Wm Inman
Comdg U. S. African Squadron.

Forwarded
Wm A Dornin
Captain
—"—

R. S. Steamer Tuscarora
St Paul de Loando June 10th 1861

Sir

, Through the Knowledge of the Chief Engineer I learned that was reported by 3rd Asst Engineer Mr Jno. Roop the 4th day June for disobeying his orders and was suspended. I have applied to Capt Dornin for copy the report and received answer that he would think the matter over about giving me a copy. Following are facts of which I was reported and suspended for. On the 4th day day June, between the hours of eight & nine PM. I was on watch in the fire room and had finished cleaning two fires when one of the Firemen wanted to clean his fire contrary to my orders, and I told him that he could clean his fire the next hour, as the complement of coal was used that hour, I also gave him express orders not to leave the fire room without my consent, the aforesaid Fireman then went up in the Engine room, and reported the condition of his fire to Mr, Jno. Roop and said I would not allow him to clean his fire. Mr Roop then told the said Fireman to clean his fire, and also told not to mind what I said, he then ordered out enough coal to clean two fires besides the allowance that was used for the hour, although I have no right to judge what amount was used, I only obeyed the order he gave me, that was to use a certain number of buckets, previous to this, I left the fire room for Quarters and I was through the Engine room when I make the remark to Mr Roop, that I had finished clean my two fires, At the same

462

told him that I had given that man expr
orders not to leave the Sheerwon and also
told him that I cleaned all the fires that he ord
and if there was any more fires to be clean
he ought to give me the order to have ther
cleaned, that I was in the Sheerwon for that purpos
not the fireman.
Mr. Roop. then told me to go down in the
Sheerwon and see that the men throwed
coal in the furnaces, and he would see tha
the 1st A.C. Lachman attended to the rest, at the
same time he was shaking his finger in my
face and he also called the Asst Oiler and told
if I will not go down in the fire room, he
would make the order put me down
Forcibly this has been his invariably
about me & my family which I want br
ought to light, besides the treatment I hav
received aboard this. Now Sir I have ap
plied to Captain Dornin, for redress and h
cannot no satisfaction, and I respectfull
apply to you. Hoping these few lines may
meet with your approbation.

I Remain Respectfull
Your Obedient Servant
Benj. F. Naranaugh
3rd Asst Engr

To
Mr. Simmons
Chief Officer
U.S. Revenue Steamer

U. S. Steamer San Jacinto
At Point de Grande July 1861

Sir,

I have now been suspended over the usual time an Officer should be without a trial; besides I have just up with insult upon insult that has been heaped upon me and when I have applied for redress, I have been treated with Contempt. Now Sir, I have brought to your notice the villains and moreover I have told you that there were a conspiration in relation to my remedy, but you would not listen to me, Now Sir, I will name those two that are in conspiration with me that time and there that circumstance did occur, will have to suffer the consequences, they could not expect any mercy from me. with the greatest respect.

I remain in respectfully
Sir, Your Obedient Servant
Benj Howard 2nd
3rd Asst Engr U.S.N

To
Thos A Dornin
Commd U.S. Steamer San Jacinto

153

1511
D.

№ 171

U.S. Ship Constellation
at St. Paul de Loanda
July 3d 1861

Sir.

I have the honor to forward herewith, the Record of a Naval General Court Martial, convened on board the Sloop "Portsmouth", on the 15th of June 1861, for the trial of Thomas Collins, Landsman, one of the crew of the "Constellation", and others. I have approved the finding and Sentence thereof, and remitted the forfeiture of pay for three months.

I also now forward the Record of a Naval General Court Martial, convened on board the Sloop "Portsmouth" on the 21st of June 1861, for the trial of William Shuttleworth, a Corporal of Marines, in the Guard of that Vessel, and others. I have approved the finding and Sentence thereof.

I am Sir, respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

Wm Inman

Flag Officer
Comdg U.S. Naval Station

Hon.
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington

9. Aug. 29 Harrison

456

1859

U. S. Flag Ship Constellation
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
September 1

Sir:

I have the honor to report to you that I arrived at Philadelphia, U. S. Ship "Flag Ship Constellation" Captain Thomas A. Dornin, the 31st ult.

I respectfully request that I may be given sick leave of absence for two months; my health having been impaired, during my recent cruise.

My address will be at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

I am,
very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
R. Tomlin
Lieut.

To:
Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D.C.

Feb 1861

Gideon Welles
Secretary of the Navy
Washington D.C.

Sir

Gideon Welles